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A word from the President

This column is an update of recent developments around the league. Let me start by extending thanks to our new Games Editor Tom Friske (Exemplars). Games featured in this issue have been prepared by Tom. Please give him a hand by marking scoresheets to identify particularly good games for special consideration. Game scoresheets should be sent to:

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Please continue to send match scoresheets to Ratings Chairman Art Olsen.

There's good news to report on our membership. The Reader publication has joined the East Division. New team captain Michael Marsh found out about the league by seeing the CICL bulletin at a recent tournament. The CICL stands to gain another new team next season as Motorola is planning to split. It remains to be seen how Nik's over-the-board speed chess banter may play out in the naming of the new teams.

Expect realignment of divisions and/or the team playoff qualification process to be discussed at the Spring Business meeting. If divisions range in size from 4 to 8 teams next year, it's more difficult to justify sending the top two from each division to the playoffs. Although it's too late this year, we should head this off for next season.

Lastly, some important points were raised as a result of a disputed game in the first round of the season. The situation: an illegal move was made but not noticed until several moves later. After the discovery, the game was resumed, but touch move not observed. The game was later disputed and thrown out (not counted for rating purposes). The important points to note are:

- a) BOTH team captains should be consulted if a question arises,
- b) protests should be made during the match,
- c) if captains can not agree, games can be continued under protest, and there is a place on the scoresheet to note a protest.

Moral: Know your rules! The 1993 FIDE Laws of Chess can be accessed on the Web at:

<http://www.msvu.ca/chess/fide.html>

CICL bylaws were distributed to everyone last year, but can be sent out on request.

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NEAR WEST DIVISION 11-01-1998

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME MATCH		PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS	2	0	0	10.0	2.0	1.000
CASE	2	0	0	8.0	2.0	1.000
PAWNS	0	2	0	3.5	0.0	0.000
COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR	0	2	0	2.5	0.0	0.000

FAR WEST DIVISION 11-01-1998

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME MATCH		PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
FERMILAB	2	0	0	7.5	2.0	1.000
ARGONNE ROOKS	1	0	0	5.5	1.0	1.000
LUCENT TECH. TYROS	1	0	0	4.0	1.0	1.000
LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS	0	2	0	4.0	0.0	0.000
LUCENT TECH. ROYALS	0	2	0	3.0	0.0	0.000

NORTH DIVISION 11-01-1998

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME MATCH		PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
MOTOROLA	2	0	0	9.5	2.0	1.000
UOP	1	1	0	7.0	1.0	0.500
NORTHROP	1	1	0	5.0	1.0	0.500
EXEMPLARS	1	0	0	4.0	1.0	1.000
KEMPER INSURANCE	0	1	1	5.0	0.5	0.250
EXCALIBURS	0	0	1	3.0	0.5	0.500
SEARS	0	2	0	2.5	0.0	0.000

EAST DIVISION 11-01-1998

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME MATCH		PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
COLUMBIA COLLEGE	1	0	1	9.0	1.5	0.750
ALUMNI ACES	1	0	1	7.5	1.5	0.750
NATIONSBANK-CRT	1	0	0	4.0	1.0	1.000
LEO BURNETT	0	2	0	2.5	0.0	0.000
THE READER	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.000
BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS	0	1	0	0.0	0.0	0.000

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30-SEP-98 CASE 4 COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR 2
 ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 KALE,S	1828 19	1	ALEXANDER,W	1768-19 0
2 KLINEFELTER,H	1569 7	.5	SEATON,E	1732-10 .5
* BOARD 3 NOT RATED. DISPUTED GAME *				
3 REID,C	1425	.5	HALL,A	1506 .5
4 GERONA,R	1420 20	1	ROJO,V	1385-20 0
5 KANAS,W	1275 13	1	APPLEBERRY,T	1235-20 0
6 ADHIKARI,G	0 0	0	GATSON,T	1100 0 1
(CCDOC) 7 JACKSON,S	1415 0	1	MCGEE,L	0 0 0

07-OCT-98 PAWNS 1.5 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS 4.5
 ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 ELLICE,W	1950 11	.5	WARREN,J	2120 -5 .5
2 LASKY,N	1352 -1	0	MARCOWKA,R	2007 1 1
3 O'DELL,DW	1493-10	0	STAMM,V	1609 10 1
4 MIKULECKY,B	1453-11	0	THOMAS,J	1539 11 1
5 CARTER,M	0 0	0F	DOBR,K	1470 0 1F
6 MCKAY,P	1393 22	1	BRADY,R	1380-22 0

15-OCT-98 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS 5.5 COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR .5
 ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 WARREN,J	2115 2	1	ALEXANDER,W	1749 -5 0
2 MARCOWKA,R	2008 5	1	SEATON,E	1722 -7 0
3 ROSLEY,D	1779-15	.5	HALL,A	1506 15 .5
4 STAMM,V	1619 7	1	JACKSON,S	1415-11 0
5 DOBR,K	1470 5	1	SANDEFUR,B	1288-12 0
6 THOMAS,J	1550 0	1F		0 0 0F

19-OCT-98 PAWNS 2 CASE 4
 ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 ELLICE,W	1961 15	1	KALE,S	1847-15 0
2 LASKY,N	1351 17	.5	WHITE,H	1673-17 .5
3 MIKULECKY,B	1442 -9	0	SATTERLEE,D	1577 9 1
4 STEVENSON,R	1360 0	0F	KLINEFELTER,H	1576 0 1F
5 CARTER,M	0 0	0	REID,C	1425 0 1
6 WEISNER,T	1142 16	.5	GERONA,R	1440-16 .5
(CASE) 7 WONG,PETER	0 0	.5	KANAS,W	1288 0 .5

08-OCT-98 ARGONNE ROOKS

5.5 LUCENT TECH. ROYALS .5

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 BENEDEK, R	2173 -9	.5	GUIO, J	1930 14 .5
2 KABELAC, J	1988 11	1	DOBROVOLNY, C	1787 -7 0
3 HILL, R	1916 3	1	KESTNER, M	1537 -5 0
4 GREEN, D	1864 0	1	SAXENA, D	0 0 0
5 SUAREZ, E	1731 0	1	HASSO, S	0 0 0
6 BAURAC, D	1708 0	1	CARRANO, C	0 0 0

13-OCT-98 FERMILAB

4 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS 2

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 DORIGO, T	2115 24	1	TEGEL, F	2141-11 0
2 SPIEGEL, L	2081 16	1	LUDWIG, T	2099-16 0
3 GAINES, I	1774 0	.5	PAREKH, C	0 0 .5
4 GOMEZ, G	1556 13	.5	ALTSHULLER, D	1785-13 .5
5 PARA, A	1563-18	0	EUSTACE, D	1636 18 1
6 STAPLES, C	1267 42	1	PIAO, T	1705-42 0
7 MOLINA, J	0 0	1	ROBINSON, J	0 0 0

29-OCT-98 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS

2 LUCENT TECH. TYROS 4

ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 TEGEL, F	2130 -8	0	STEIN, P	2211 17 1
2 LUDWIG, T	2083-11	0	TAMEZ, I	2184 16 1
3 PAREKH, C	0 0	0	DIAZ, P	2038 0 1
4 ALTSHULLER, D	1772 32	1	STOLTZ, B	1923-32 0
5 PIAO, T	1663-19	0	BROZOVICH, J	1718 13 1
6 CHRISTIAN, R	1811 9	1	SHENOUDA, R	1665-14 0
7 ROBINSON, J	0 0	0	KARPIERZ, J	1242 0 1

29-OCT-98 LUCENT TECH. ROYALS

2.5 FERMILAB 3.5

ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 PEIJFFERS, S	2051 6	.5	DORIGO, T	2139 -6 .5
2 GUIO, J	1944 32	1	SPIEGEL, L	2097-21 0
3 STINSON, M	1944 8	1	GAINES, I	1774 -8 0
4 DOBROVOLNY, C	1780-23	0	GOMEZ, G	1569 35 1
5 KESTNER, M	1532-35	0	STAPLES, C	1309 35 1
6 SAVCIC, V	0 0	0	MOLINA, J	0 0 1
7 SAXENA, D	0 0	1	CZOSKE, M	1289 0 0 (ROYLS)
8 CARRANO, C	0 0	1	APATA, D	0 0 0 (ROYLS)
9 HASSO, S	0 0	1	MEDINA, L	0 0 0 (ROYLS)

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01-OCT-98 SEARS

1.5 UOP

4.5

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 LATIMER, E	2094-10	0	STEVANOVIC, M	2227 10 1
2 MILLER, T	1868-14	0	BUERGER, E	2010 9 1
3 SIMS, L	1774 30	1	BOLDINGH, E	1901-30 0
4 DORFF, M	1598 14	.5	LECHNICK, J	1833-14 .5
5 WILSON, M	1226 -2	0	SACKS, D	1794 2 1
6 JONES, K	1486 -6	0	SAJBEL, P	1817 6 1
(UOP) 7 VAN ZILE, C	1343 0	.5	SABIJASACHI, S	0 0 .5
(UOP) 8 SCHOONOVER, M	1340 -8	0	MICKLICH, F	1613 5 1
(UOP) 9 PLETT, M	1784-11	.5	MICKLICH, F	1618 7 .5

08-OCT-98 EXEMPLARS

4 KEMPER INSURANCE

2

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 BENESA, A	2271 10	1	SIWEK, M	2061 -7 0
2 GAZMEN, E	2103 2	1	OLSEN, A	1525 -2 0
3 SOLLANO, E	1916 3	1	NALLATHAMBI, R	1468 -3 0
4 FRISKE, T	1970 3	1	CUMMUTA, P	1503 -3 0
5 LANNOYE, D	1698 0	0	EASTON, R	0 0 1
6	0 0	0	ROSKOWSKI, D	0 0 1F

08-OCT-98 MOTOROLA

4.5 NORTHROP

1.5

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 HASAN, Y	2220-32	0	MININ, S	2055 32 1
2 WALLACH, C	2064-19	.5	WALKER, A	1667 19 .5
3 SAMELSON, C	1936 3	1	VIGANTS, A	1583 -5 0
4 SMITH, J	1716 0	1	FONG, R	0 0 0
5 GONCHAROFF, N	1736 0	1	SOBSKI, A	0 0 0
6 THOMSON, J	1471 0	1	PATRICK, J	0 0 0
7 PAPARIA, J	0 0	1	GRYPARIS, J	1435 0 0 (MTRLA)
8 DESAI, N	0 0	1	GALLA, J	0 0 0 (MTRLA)
9 LE, D	0 0	1	CHOROSINSKI, L	0 0 0

22-OCT-98 UOP

2.5 NORTHROP

3.5

ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 STEVANOVIC, M	2237-21	0	MININ, S	2087 32 1
2 BOLDINGH, E	1871-33	0	WALKER, A	1686 33 1
3 LECHNICK, J	1819-36	0	VIGANTS, A	1578 36 1
4 SACKS, D	1796 1	1	ELEK, G	1099 -1 0
5 PLETT, M	1773 0	.5	FONG, R	0 0 .5
6 MICKLICH, F	1625 0	1	SOBSKI, A	0 0 0
7 SCHOONOVER, M	1332 0	1	PATRICK, J	0 0 0
8 ALLEN, R	1215-15	0	VAN ZILE, C	1343 15 1 (UOP)

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27-OCT-98 KEMPER INSURANCE 3 EXCALIBURS 3

ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1 SIWEK, M	2054 -6	.5	SULLIVAN, J	1906 6	.5
2 WALKER, C	1696 22	1	WEITZ, R	1688-15	0
3 OLSEN, A	1523 6	.5	SUERTH, F	1603 -3	.5
4 EASTON, R	0 0	0	BURIAN, D	1598 0	1
5 CUMMUTA, P	1500-19	0	BROTSOS, J	1555 13	1
6 NALLATHAMBI, R	1465 12	1	EDWARDS, S	1296-12	0
7 ROSZKOWSKI, D	0 0	0	OELHAFEN, A	1278 0	1
8 MCKINNEY, T	1310 0	1	ZELIGMAN, E	0 0	0 (KEMPR)

29-OCT-98 SEARS 1 MOTOROLA 5

ROUND 2

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1 MILLER, T	1854-17	0	SAMELSON, C	1939 11	1
2 JONES, K	1480 14	.5	SMITH, J	1716-14	.5
3 BALASE, E	1376 -5	0	GONCHAROFF, N	1736 2	1
4 LANGER, D	0 0	.5	BALICKI, J	1608 0	.5
5 WILSON, M	1224 -9	0	THOMSON, J	1471 9	1
6 CUMBERLAND, M	0 0	0	PAPARIA, J	0 0	1
(MTRLA) 7 FLORENCE, C	0 0	1	GRYPARIS, J	1435 0	0

01-OCT-98 BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS 0 COLUMBIA COLLEGE 6

ROUND 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1 KOGAN, G	1870-10	0	SANTIAGO, T	2089 10	1
2 PARAOAN, E	1746 -6	0	MCALISTER, K	1981 9	1
3 HAMMOND, M	1448 -3	0	HAYES, W	1890 3	1
4 ZOELLNER, J	1436 -4	0	PRATTS, M	1762 6	1
5 GANSER, A	1201 -2	0	GROEGER, D	1711 2	1
6	0 0	0	F STEVENS, J	1582 0	1F

13-OCT-98 LEO BURNETT
ROUND 1

1.5 ALUMNI ACES 4.5

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1 GATES,E	1830-11	0	CZERNIECKI,A	2036	7 1
2 EAMAN,R	1626	17 .5	GOLLA,R	1955-11	.5
3 DUFFY,J	1687-10	0	SAGALOVSKY,L	1911	10 1
4 SOSSI,M	0	0 1	RZESZUTKO,R	1900	0 0
5 BAYSINGAR,D	1381	-4 0	FRANEK,M	1785	3 1
6 BANNON,B	1165	-3 0	DAVIDSON,M	1608	3 1

29-OCT-98 COLUMBIA COLLEGE
ROUND 2

3 ALUMNI ACES 3

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1 SANTIAGO,T	2099	-8 0	REYES,R	2360	5 1
2 MCALISTER,K	1990-19	0	CZERNIECKI,A	2043	13 1
3 HAYES,W	1893	26 1	GOLLA,R	1944-17	0
4 PRATTS,M	1768-13	0	SAGALOVSKY,L	1921	13 1
5 GROEGER,D	1713	32 1	FRANK,M	1878-32	0
6 STEVENS,J	1582	0 1F		0 0	0F

29-OCT-98 NATIONSBANK-CRT
ROUND 2

4 LEO BURNETT 1

BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
* BOARD 1 ADJOURNED 10/29/98 *					
1 JASAITIS,A	2143	ADJ	GATES,E	1819	ADJ
2 KRAS,T	2262	1 1	EAMAN,R	1643	-1 0
3 LOSOFF,A	1830-32	0	DUFFY,J	1677	32 1
4 SITAR,K	1627	15 1	SOSSI,M	1501-15	0
5 SHATSKY,V	1585	5 1	SAWIN,B	1223	-5 0
6 BARNARD,G	1109	26 1	BANNON,B	1162-26	0

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NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING	NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING
ADARE, A	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	CZERNIECKI, A	ALUMN	2	0	0	2056D
ADHIKARI, G	CASE	0	1	0	0000/2	CZOSKE, M	ROYLS	0	1	0	1289#
ALEXANDER, W	CCDOC	0	2	0	1744#	DACANAY, D	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/2
ALLEN, H	ALUMN	0	0	0	1960	DAVIDSON, M	ALUMN	1	0	0	1611
ALLEN, R	UOP	0	1	0	1200#	DAVIS, R	PSIPR	0	0	0	923#
ALTSHULLER, D	DRGNS	1	0	1	1804*	DECMAN, S	ROOKS	0	0	0	1628D
ANDERSON, CJ	ROYLS	0	0	0	1454	DELEON, J	CRT	0	0	0	1608
ANSELL, S	ROOKS	0	0	0	1866*	DEMICK, D	WHEAT	0	0	0	1327#
APATA, D	ROYLS	0	1	0	0000/0	DEPERALTA, A	PSIPR	0	0	0	1696
APPLEBERRY, T	CCDOC	0	1	0	1215*	DESAI, N	MTRLA	1	0	0	0000/0
ATKINSON, J	AMCRP	0	0	0	1877C	DIAZ, P	TYROS	1	0	0	2038
AUGSBURGER, L	MTRLA	0	0	0	1751C	DOBR, K	CHRGR	1	0	0	1475T
BALASE, E	SEARS	0	1	0	1371*	DOBROVOLNY, C	ROYLS	0	2	0	1757C
BALICKI, J	MTRLA	0	0	1	1608*	DORFF, M	SEARS	0	0	1	1612
BANNON, B	LBURN	0	2	0	1136#	DORIGO, T	FERMI	1	0	1	2133
BANOS, M	MTRLA	0	0	0	0000/0	DUFFY, J	LBURN	1	1	0	1709
BARGERSTOCK, D	CRT	0	0	0	1694	EAMAN, R	LBURN	0	1	1	1642
BARNARD, G	CRT	1	0	0	1135*	EASTON, R	KEMPR	1	1	0	0000/3
BAURAC, D	ROOKS	1	0	0	1708D	EDWARDS, S	EXCLB	0	1	0	1284
BAYSINGAR, D	LBURN	0	1	0	1377#	ELEK, G	NORTH	0	1	0	1098
BENEDEK, R	ROOKS	0	0	1	2164D	ELLICE, W	PAWNS	1	0	1	1976
BENESA, A	EXMPL	1	0	0	2281	ELLIOTT, M	KNGHT	0	0	0	1281
BERRY, G	ROOKS	0	0	0	2081T	ENKE, E	WHEAT	0	0	0	1463*
BETELU, D	MTRLA	0	0	0	1907#	EUSTACE, D	DRGNS	1	0	0	1654C
BEZZUBOV, V	FERMI	0	0	0	2344*	FABIJONAS, R	ALUMN	0	0	0	1741D
BLAZIE, J	TYROS	0	0	0	1734C	FENILI, A	KNGHT	0	0	0	0000/0
BLINKOFF, D	LBURN	0	0	0	0000/0	FLORENCE, C	MTRLA	1	0	0	0000/1
BOLDINGH, E	UOP	0	2	0	1838	FONG, R	NORTH	0	1	1	0000/4
BOSTICK, T	WHEAT	0	0	0	1424	FOX, P	CCDOC	0	0	0	1118#
BRADY, R	CHRGR	0	1	0	1358	FRAATS, D	BKAMI	0	0	0	1789
BRANCH, Y	COLUM	0	0	0	1237*	FRANEK, M	ALUMN	1	0	0	1788C
BRAUNDMEIER, B	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/3	FRANK, M	ALUMN	0	1	0	1846
BRIONES, G	DRGNS	0	0	0	0000/0	FRIESEMA, W	CRT	0	0	0	2089
BROLLIER, B	WHEAT	0	0	0	1266*	FRISKE, T	EXMPL	1	0	0	1973
BRONFELD, A	EXMPL	0	0	0	1829	FROMM, J	FERMI	0	0	0	1540
BROTSOS, J	EXCLB	1	0	0	1568D	FULLMER, G	MTRLA	0	0	0	0000/2
BROZOVICH, J	TYROS	1	0	0	1731D	GAINES, I	FERMI	0	1	1	1766D
BUCHNER, R	ROYLS	0	0	0	2044	GALLA, J	MTRLA	0	1	0	0000/0
BUERGER, E	UOP	1	0	0	2019T	GANSER, A	BKAMI	0	1	0	1199*
BURIAN, D	EXCLB	1	0	0	1598C	GARCIA, A	KEMPR	0	0	0	1819#
CARRANO, C	ROYLS	1	1	0	0000/1	GARCIA, J	ROOKS	0	0	0	1177#
CARTER, D	CASE	0	0	0	1056	GATES, E	LBURN	0	1	0	1819
CARTER, M	PAWNS	0	1	0	0000/1	GATSON, T	CCDOC	1	0	0	1100*
CARVER, A	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/3	GAZMEN, E	EXMPL	1	0	0	2105
CHELF, B	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/2	GERONA, R	CASE	1	0	1	1424
CHOROSINSKI, L	NORTH	0	1	0	0000/0	GIBBS, D	PAWNS	0	0	0	0000/3
CHRISTIAN, R	DRGNS	1	0	0	1820C	GOLLA, R	ALUMN	0	1	1	1927D
CUMBERLAND, M	SEARS	0	1	0	0000/3	GOMEZ, G	FERMI	1	0	1	1604
CUMMUTA, P	KEMPR	0	2	0	1481C	GONCHAROFF, N	MTRLA	2	0	0	1738Q
CURTIS, M	NORTH	0	0	0	1971	GRANTHAM, D	PAWNS	0	0	0	0000/1

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GREEN, D	ROOKS	1	0	0	1864D	LANG, P	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/6
GROEGER, D	COLUM	2	0	0	1745	LANGER, D	SEARS	0	0	1	0000/1
GRYPARIS, J	MTRLA	0	2	0	1435C	LANNOYE, D	EXMPL	0	1	0	1698*
GUIO, J	ROYLS	1	0	1	1976	LASKY, N	PAWNS	0	1	1	1368C
GUTIERREZ, R	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/0	LATIMER, E	SEARS	0	1	0	2084D
HAHNE, D	ROYLS	0	0	0	1541	LE, D	MTRLA	1	0	0	0000/2
HALL, A	CCDOC	0	0	2	1521	LECHNICK, J	UOP	0	1	1	1783*
HALL, L	SEARS	0	0	0	1566#	LEE, G	AMCRP	0	0	0	0000/1
HAMMOND, M	BKAMI	0	1	0	1445	LEONG, G	KEMPR	0	0	0	2011C
HANSEN, B	PAWNS	0	0	0	1348	LICARI, T	DRGNS	0	0	0	0000/5
HARD, R	PAWNS	0	0	0	1193*	LITVINAS, A	ALUMN	0	0	0	1692D
HARRIS, R	FERMI	0	0	0	1554	LOGAN, H	PAWNS	0	0	0	1225*
HASAN, Y	MTRLA	0	1	0	2188	LOPEZ, C	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/0
HASSO, S	ROYLS	1	1	0	0000/1	LOSOFF, A	CRT	0	1	0	1798
HAYES, W	COLUM	2	0	0	1919	LOUGHEED, S	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/1
HAZELWOOD, R	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/1	LUDWIG, M	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/4
HELLER, T	WHEAT	0	0	0	1148*	LUDWIG, T	DRGNS	0	2	0	2072C
HILL, R	ROOKS	1	0	0	1919C	MACKIE, A	MTRLA	0	0	0	1967
HODINA, J	AMCRP	0	0	0	2111	MAKAI, M	KNGHT	0	0	0	1799*
HOLMES, M	AMCRP	0	0	0	1415*	MARCOWKA, R	CHRGR	2	0	0	2013D
HORTON, D	MTRLA	0	0	0	1853	MAREMA, D	PSIPR	0	0	0	2004
HOUPIS, G	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/1	MARQUEZ, N	AMCRP	0	0	0	0000/4
HUGHES, N	KEMPR	0	0	0	1827C	MARVIN, C	LBURN	0	0	0	0000/2
INUMERABLE, F	PSIPR	0	0	0	2282C	MALISTER, K	COLUM	1	1	0	1971
JACKSON, S	CCDOC	1	1	0	1404	MCCARTHY, D	CHRGR	0	0	0	1654#
JACOBY, W	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/1	MC GEE, L	CCDOC	0	1	0	0000/6
JASAITIS, A	CRT	0	0	0	2143C	MCKAY, P	PAWNS	1	0	0	1415#
JEFFERIES, P	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/1	MCKINNEY, T	KEMPR	1	0	0	1310*
JEFFRIES, P	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/0	MEDINA, L	ROYLS	0	1	0	0000/0
JOHNSON, W	CCDOC	0	0	0	1176*	MEHTA, C	TYROS	0	0	0	1481#
JONES, K	SEARS	0	1	1	1494#	MELNIKOV, I	MTRLA	0	0	0	2098
JOSEPHSON, D	WHEAT	0	0	0	1721*	MICKLICH, F	UOP	2	0	1	1625C
KABELAC, J	ROOKS	1	0	0	1999	MIKULECKY, B	PAWNS	0	2	0	1433C
KALE, S	CASE	1	1	0	1832	MILLER, T	SEARS	0	2	0	1837
KANAS, W	CASE	1	0	1	1288C	MININ, S	NORTH	2	0	0	2119
KARPIERZ, J	TYROS	1	0	0	1242*	MOLINA, J	FERMI	2	0	0	0000/0
KELLOGG, K	FERMI	0	0	0	1607C	MONTGOMERY, J	WHEAT	0	0	0	1456
KELLY, S	DRGNS	0	0	0	1281	MORRIS, R	MTRLA	0	0	0	2144
KERCSMAR, J	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/0	MOTYCKA, R	CASE	0	0	0	1134C
KESTNER, M	ROYLS	0	2	0	1497	MYART, V	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/3
KINSELLA, G	KNGHT	0	0	0	1449C	NAIR, U	DRGNS	0	0	0	1827
KLEBANER, A	FERMI	0	0	0	0000/1	NALLATHAMBI, R	KEMPR	1	1	0	1477
KLINEFELTER, H	CASE	0	0	1	1576C	O'DELL, DW	PAWNS	0	1	0	1483C
KOGAN, G	BKAMI	0	1	0	1860	OELHAFEN, A	EXCLB	1	0	0	1278*
KOH, J	BKAMI	0	0	0	1992	OGASAWARA, L	ROYLS	0	0	0	1817C
KOSTECKA, K	COLUM	0	0	0	1561	OLSEN, A	KEMPR	0	1	1	1529
KOZLOVSKY, M	FERMI	0	0	0	2085	PAPARIA, J	MTRLA	2	0	0	0000/1
KRAS, T	CRT	1	0	0	2263	PARA, A	FERMI	0	1	0	1545
KREMER, T	PAWNS	0	0	0	1319*	PARAOAN, E	BKAMI	0	1	0	1740C
LAMBIRIS, J	KEMPR	0	0	0	1437	PAREKH, C	DRGNS	0	1	1	0000/2

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PATEL, S	CASE	0	0	0	0000/1	SKRZYPCZAK, T	PAWNS	0	0	0	1202*
PATRICK, J	NORTH	0	2	0	0000/2	SLOAT, D	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1
PEHAS, A	ROYLS	0	0	0	1958C	SMITH, BR	TYROS	0	0	0	1548
PEIJFFERS, S	ROYLS	0	0	1	2057	SMITH, J	MTRLA	1	0	1	1702#
PETERS, E	PSIPR	0	0	0	1661	SMITH, R	SEARS	0	0	0	0000/1
PHELPS, C	DRGNS	0	0	0	1240*	SOBSKI, A	NORTH	0	2	0	0000/4
PHELPS, D	MTRLA	0	0	0	0000/2	SOLLANO, E	EXMPL	1	0	0	1919
PIAO, T	DRGNS	0	2	0	1644	SOMBONG, M	BKAMI	0	0	0	1626C
PLETT, M	UOP	0	0	2	1773	SORIA, D	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/4
POLONCSIK, D	SEARS	0	0	0	0000/3	SOSSI, M	LBURN	1	1	0	1486#
PORTANTE, E	KNGHT	0	0	0	0000/2	SPIEGEL, L	FERMI	1	1	0	2076C
PRATTS, M	COLUM	1	1	0	1755	SPURRIER, T	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/0
RADAVICIUS, E	CHRGR	0	0	0	1614D	STALKER, M	CASE	0	0	0	0000/2
RAJA, M	ROOKS	0	0	0	1757	STAMM, V	CHRGR	2	0	0	1626D
REID, C	CASE	1	0	1	1425C	STANFIELD, D	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/0
REYES, R	ALUMN	1	0	0	2365D	STAPLES, C	FERMI	2	0	0	1344*
RICHERT, E	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	STEIN, P	TYROS	1	0	0	2228
RICHERT, P	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	STEVANOVIC, M	UOP	1	1	0	2216D
ROBERTS, N	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	STEVENS, J	COLUM	0	0	0	1582
ROBINSON, J	DRGNS	0	2	0	0000/1	STINSON, M	ROYLS	1	0	0	1952C
ROJO, V	CCDOC	0	1	0	1365	STOCKE, M	PSIPR	0	0	0	1758
ROSLEY, D	CHRGR	0	0	1	1764	STOLTZ, B	TYROS	0	1	0	1891C
ROSZKOWSKI, D	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/1	SUAREZ, E	ROOKS	1	0	0	1731
ROYTBURG, E	CASE	0	0	0	1990*	SUERTH, F	EXCLB	0	0	1	1600C
RZESZUTKO, R	ALUMN	0	1	0	1900C	SULLIVAN, C	AMCRP	0	0	0	1389
SABIJASACHI, S	UOP	0	0	1	0000/1	SULLIVAN, J	EXCLB	0	0	1	1912D
SACKS, D	UOP	2	0	0	1797	TAMEZ, I	TYROS	1	0	0	2200
SAGALOVSKY, L	ALUMN	2	0	0	1934	TAN, M	WHEAT	0	0	0	1186
SAJBEL, P	UOP	1	0	0	1823C	TEGEL, F	DRGNS	0	2	0	2122T
SAMELSON, C	MTRLA	2	0	0	1950C	THOMAS, G	TYROS	0	0	0	1530C
SANDEFUR, B	CCDOC	0	1	0	1276#	THOMAS, J	CHRGR	1	0	0	1550C
SANTIAGO, T	COLUM	1	1	0	2091	THOMSON, J	MTRLA	2	0	0	1480#
SATTERLEE, D	CASE	1	0	0	1586C	TOELLNER, T	ROOKS	0	0	0	0000/4
SAVCIC, V	ROYLS	0	1	0	0000/0	TORRES, V	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/4
SAWIN, B	LBURN	0	1	0	1218#	TURNER, K	PSIPR	0	0	0	1455
SAXENA, D	ROYLS	1	1	0	0000/2	VACCARO, M	COLUM	0	0	0	1441#
SCHMUGGEROW, K	NORTH	0	0	0	2144	VALLIERE, D	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/2
SCHOONOVER, M	UOP	1	1	0	1332*	VAN ZILE, C	UOP	1	0	1	1358
SEATON, E	CCDOC	0	1	1	1715*	VANDECOTTE, M	UOP	0	0	0	0000/3
SHAFF, R	TYROS	0	0	0	1515C	VELEZ, L	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/3
SHATSKY, V	CRT	1	0	0	1590	VERMA, S	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/3
SHAWN, L	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/2	VIGANTS, A	NORTH	1	1	0	1614
SHENOUDA, R	TYROS	0	1	0	1651*	WALKER, A	NORTH	1	0	1	1719*
SIEGEL, R	BKAMI	0	0	0	1418C	WALKER, C	KEMPR	1	0	0	1718
SIMON, D	ROOKS	0	0	0	0000/1	WALLACH, C	MTRLA	0	0	1	2045
SIMS, B	CRT	0	0	0	1494#	WARD, C	DRGNS	0	0	0	1636D
SIMS, L	SEARS	1	0	0	1804	WARREN, J	CHRGR	1	0	1	2117Q
SIRAKOV, I	KNGHT	0	0	0	1842#	WEISNER, T	PAWNS	0	0	1	1158
SITAR, K	CRT	1	0	0	1642*	WEITZ, R	EXCLB	0	1	0	1673C
SIWEK, M	KEMPR	0	1	1	2048C	WENTLING, C	AMCRP	0	0	0	1593C

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WHARTON,P	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/2	WOOD,L	AMCRP	0	0	0	1499*
WHITE,H	CASE	0	0	1	1656C	YACOUT,A	KNGHT	0	0	0	1547*
WILSON,M	SEARS	0	2	0	1215*	YOUSSEF,S	FERMI	0	0	0	2032
WOLF,D	MTRLA	0	0	0	2325	ZELIGMAN,E	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/1
WONG,PETER	CASE	0	0	1	0000/2	ZOELLNER,J	BKAMI	0	1	0	1432C

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NEAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

WARREN,J	CHRGR	2117Q
MARCOWKA,R	CHRGR	2013D
ROYTBURG,E	CASE	1990*
ELLICE,W	PAWNS	1976
KALE,S	CASE	1832
ROSLEY,D	CHRGR	1764
SEATON,E	CCDOC	1715*
WHITE,H	CASE	1656C
STAMM,V	CHRGR	1626D
RADAVICIUS,E	CHRGR	1614D

FAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

BEZZUBOV,V	FERMI	2344*
STEIN,P	TYROS	2228
TAMEZ,I	TYROS	2200
BENEDEK,R	ROOKS	2164D
DORIGO,T	FERMI	2133
TEGEL,F	DRGNS	2122T
KOZLOVSKY,M	FERMI	2085
BERRY,G	ROOKS	2081T
SPIEGEL,L	FERMI	2076C
LUDWIG,T	DRGNS	2072C

NORTH DIVISION TOP TEN

WOLF,D	MTRLA	2325
BENESA,A	EXMPL	2281
STEVANOVIC,M	UOP	2216D
HASAN,Y	MTRLA	2188
SCHMUGGEROW,K	NORTH	2144
MORRIS,R	MTRLA	2144
MININ,S	NORTH	2119
GAZMEN,E	EXMPL	2105
MELNIKOV,I	MTRLA	2098
LATIMER,E	SEARS	2084D

EAST DIVISION TOP TEN

REYES,R	ALUMN	2365D
KRAS,T	CRT	2263
JASAITIS,A	CRT	2143C
SANTIAGO,T	COLUM	2091
FRIESEMA,W	CRT	2089
CZERNIECKI,A	ALUMN	2056D
KOH,J	BKAMI	1992
MCALISTER,K	COLUM	1971
ALLEN,H	ALUMN	1960
SAGALOVSKY,L	ALUMN	1934

MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS

STAPLES,C	FERMI	77
MININ,S	NORTH	64
WALKER,A	NORTH	52
GOMEZ,G	FERMI	48
GUIO,J	ROYLS	46
GROEGER,D	COLUM	34
VIGANTS,A	NORTH	31
SIMS,L	SEARS	30
HAYES,W	COLUM	29
ELLICE,W	PAWNS	26

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ABRAHAM	T	1460	0	*	1.5
AUGSBURGER	L	1926	30		6.0
BALICKI	J	1613	63		6.0
BENESA	A	2176	0	*	3.0
BERRY	G	2085	0	*	3.5
BETELU	D	1972	41		7.0
BEZZUBOV	V	2309	9		6.0
BHOJWANI	R	1544	0	*	1.0
BLACKMON	E	1849	0	*	2.5
BLAZIE	J	1650	24		5.0
BLOEDOW	P	1701	0	*	5.0
BOLDINGH	E	1849	0	*	2.5
BOLICKI	J	1550	0	*	3.5
BROZOVICH	J	1750	4		5.5
BUERGER	E	1856	0	*	2.5
BUJALSKI	J	1316	0	*	3.0
BURIAN	D	1683	-53		2.5
CARTER	O	1383	0	*	6.0
CHEVERESAN	S	1344	0	*	4.0
CIESLEK	D	1769	0	*	1.5
CISKO	G	1415	0	*	1.0
COLE	P	1236	0	*	2.0
COOPER	W	1704	0	*	3.0
CREWSE	L	2334	0	*	5.0
CUMMUTA	P	1212	0	*	1.5
CURTIS	M	2270	0	*	4.5
CZERNIECKI	A	1934	0	*	0.0
CZOSKE	M	1334	0	*	4.0
DECMAN	S	1429	19		4.5
DELEON	J	1670	0	*	5.0
DEZONNO	T	1391	0	*	5.0
DIAZ	P	2077	47		4.5
DOBR	K	1738	-15		2.0
DOBROVOLNY	C	1926	0	*	3.5
DUMAR	R	1613	0	*	2.0
DURKEE	D	1743	0	*	1.5
EGERTON	J	1993	0	*	4.5

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ELLICE	W	1580	-6		3.0
EUSTACE	D	1395	0	*	4.0
FRANEK	M	2001	-48		0.0
FRANK	M	1745	0	*	4.0
FREEMAN	R	1500	0	*	3.5
FRISKE	T	1994	24		7.0
GARCIA	A	1838	19		4.5
GASTON	K	1076	0	*	0.0
GAZMEN	B	2256	0	*	4.0
GOLLA	R	2136	0		3.5
GONCHAROFF	N	1944	-2		1.0
GREEN	D	1958	85		8.5
GRYPARIS	J	1673	0	*	2.0
HAMMOND	M	1474	-36		3.0
HANSEN	B	1332	0	*	3.0
HARD	R	1490	0	*	4.0
HASAN	Y	2312	0	*	5.5
HESS	W	1330	0	*	0.0
HILL	R	1896	0	*	3.0
HODINA	J	2205	0	*	5.0
HORTON	D	1782	-3		3.0
HUGHES	N	2023	0	*	5.0
INUMERABLE	F	2193	0	*	4.0
JACKLIN	E	980	0	*	0.5
JARETT	T	1580	0	*	3.0
JASAITIS	A	2176	0	*	3.0
JONES	M	1134	0	*	2.0
KABELAC	J	1982	0	*	3.0
KALE	S	1673	0	*	2.0
KARPIERZ	J	1550	-22		2.0
KLINEFELTER	H	1570	0	*	3.0
LANGER		1614	0	*	8.5
LECHNICK	J	1788	-45		1.5
LESTER	M	1500	0	*	2.0
LEVINE	D	2365	0	*	7.0
LITVINAS	A	1648	-82		1.0

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LOMONT	K	1458	0	*	1.0
LOSOFF	A	1858	0	*	3.0
MACKIE	A	2129	0	*	6.0
MAKAI	M	1986	0	*	6.0
MELNIKOV	I	2245	0	*	5.5
MELNIKOV	N	1490	0	*	4.0
MICKLICH	F	1510	0	*	3.0
MILLER	T	1657	0	*	6.0
MORRIS	R	2274	0	*	4.5
MORTON	B	1337	0	*	2.0
MOTTA	H	1856	0	*	2.5
MOTYCKA	R	1475	0	*	5.0
McCARTNEY	M	1332	0	*	3.0
NALLATHAMBI	R	1482	14		5.0
NOWAK	W	1063	0	*	2.0
OGASAWARA	L	1938	0	*	4.0
OLSEN	A	1317	2		2.5
PADLO	R	1172	0	*	1.0
PAWLUS	D	1066	0	*	0.5
RADAVICIUS	E	1660	0	*	4.0
REICHERT	P	1458	0	*	1.0
REID	C	1227	-8		1.0
REYES	R	2357	-33		5.0
ROJAS	R	1208	0	*	2.5
RZESZUTKO	R	2193	0	*	7.0
SACKS	D	1865	0	*	5.5
SAJBEL	P	1878	-35		3.0
SAMELSON	C	1953	0	*	4.0
SAMOYLOV	A	1570	0	*	5.0
SANCHEZ	R	1769	0	*	5.0
SATTERLEE	D	1307	-8		2.0
SATTERLEE	M	974	0	*	0.0
SCHWARTZ	M	1270	0	*	3.0
SHEYNIN	S	2325	0	*	6.5
SIEGEL	R	1595	0	*	6.0
SITAR	K	1510	0	*	3.0
SIWEK	M	2150	0	*	3.0
SMILEY	R	2096	0	*	2.0

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SOLANO	E	2137	0	*	4.0
SPIEGEL	L	2056	0	*	5.0
STAMM	V	1703	-47		3.0
STAPLES	M	1214	0	*	3.0
STEVANOVIC	M	2127	17		4.0
SUERTH	F	1390	0	*	1.5
SULLIVAN	J	1841	-62		1.5
SURTI	V	1195	0	*	1.0
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WALLACH	C	2056	0	*	5.0
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TOP 25 SPEED CHESS RATINGS

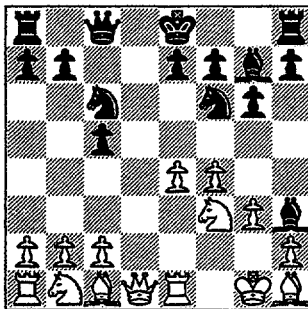
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STEVANOVIC	M	2127
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WARREN	J	2072

The finishing touch

by ruben reyes

Mike Stevanovic

(2227D) of UOP takes control in the opening and finishes flawlessly vs a 2094D. Let's take up the action after **10.dxe4 Bg7** (Stevanovic has White - see diagram below)



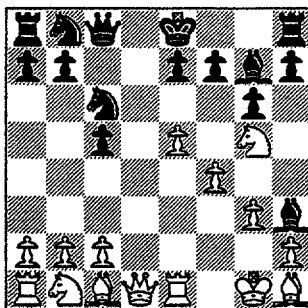
11.e5!

This starts off taking control of the game

11...Nd7

This is the best Black can do to keep the N centralized compared to 11...Ng8 or 11...Ng4 12.Ng5 Nh6.

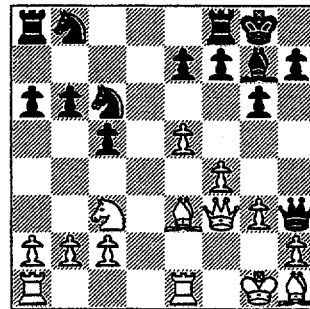
12.Ng5 Ndb8



The disruptive power of White's 11th move (11.e5) on Black's smooth development is illustrated by the visible cumbersome placement of Black's N's and a-Rook.

13.Nxh3 Qxh3 14.Be3 b6 15.Nc3 0-0 16.Qf3 a6

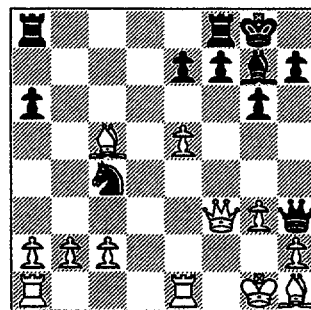
(see diagram top of next column)



17.Nd5

Transforms superiority in development into tangible material advantage (win of a pawn) as the threat here's 18.Nxe7+ and 18.Nxb6.

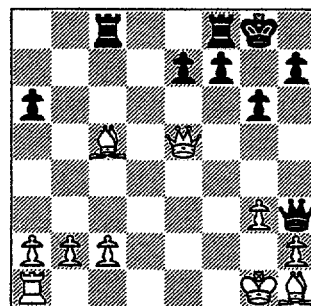
17...Nd7 18.Nxb6 Ncxe5 19.fxe5 Nxb6 20.Bxc5 Nc4



21.Qf4

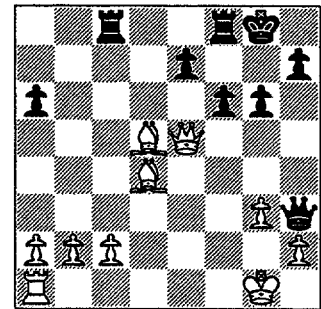
Black's given no respite. White threatens to win the exchange (22.Bxa8) or a piece (22.Qxc4)

21...Nxe5 22.Rxe5 Bxe5 23.Qxe5 Rac8

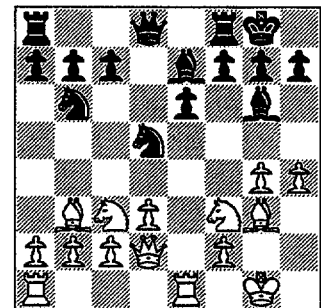


24.Bd4 f6 25.Bd5+ 1-0

Final position Stevanovic game



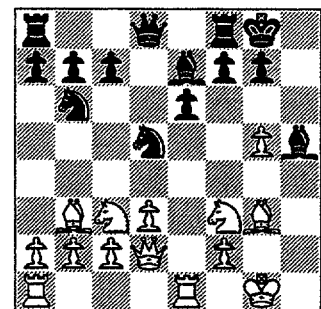
Larry Sims (1774) of Sears upsets a 1901 in a nice finale. Let's drop in after **15.h4** (see diagram below - Sims has Black)



15...h6 16.g5

16.Kg2, so as to be able to support the pawn advance (g5) with a R (Rh1) or 2 R's (Rh1 and Rag1).

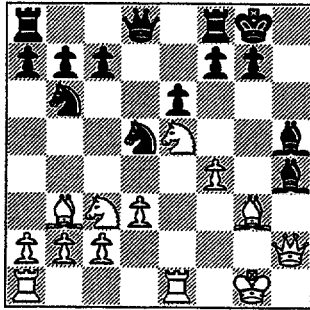
16...hxg5 17.hxg5 Bh5



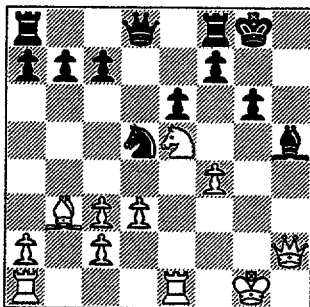
To win the g-pawn by eliminating the N defending it. And with the g-pawn gone, White's attack becomes hampered by an exposed K.

18.Ne5 Bxg5 19.f4 Bh4 20.Qh2

(see diagram next page)



**20...Bxg3 21.Qxg3 Nxc3
22.bxc3 Nd5 23.Qh2 g6**



Black has defended well.

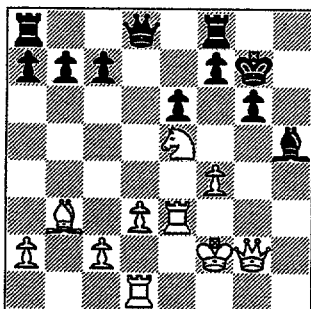
24.Kf2

White has some difficulty in bringing his Rooks into play. The text move provides White the option for Rg1.

24...Nxc3

Provides access to d4 for the Q (...Qd4+)

**25.Re3 Kg7 26.Qg2 Nd1+
27.Rxd1**

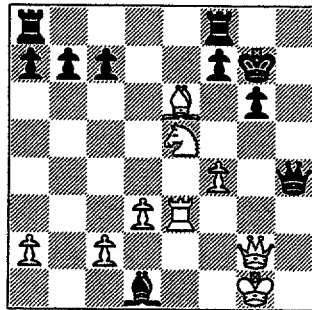


27...Qh4+

Positioning the Q before recapturing at d1.

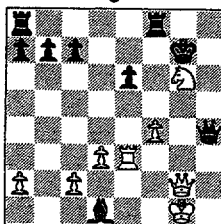
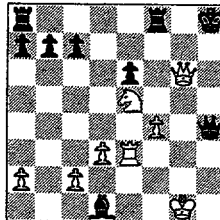
28.Kg1 Bxd1 29.Bxe6

(See diagram top of next column)



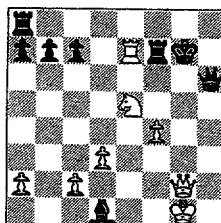
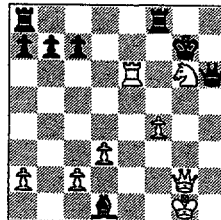
29...Bh5

At first glance, accepting the B sac seems OK as after 29... fxe6 30.Qxg6+ Kh8 (diagram right), White's attack seems to have run its course while Black threatens to counter-attack with 31...Rg8. But



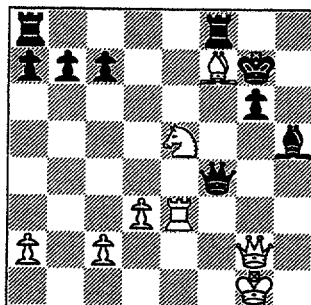
after 29...fxe6 30.Nxg6 (see diagram left), White obtains a strong attack for the piece. For example, if 30... Qh6 then 31.Rxe6

(diagram right) threatening 32. Nxf8+ and 33. Rxf6. If now 31... Rf6, then 32.Re7+ when after 32....Rf7 (not 32...Kg8 as

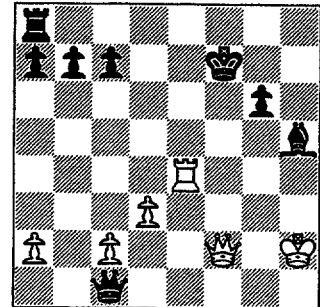


33.Qd5+ Rf7 34. Qxf7++ is mate) 33.Ne5+ (see diagram left) White gets back the piece plus an attack on Black's exposed K with 34.Rxf7+

30.Bxf7Qxf4



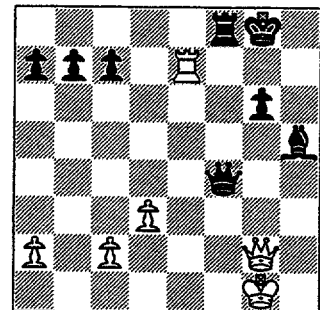
**31.Re4 Qc1+ 32.Kh2 Rxf7
33.Nxf7 Kxf7 34.Qf2+**



34...Kg8 35.Re7 Rf8

Parries the threat of mate in two (36.Qf7+ and 37.Qg7++) but most importantly activates the R. Now it's White who's in trouble.

36.Qg2 Qf4+ 37.Kg1

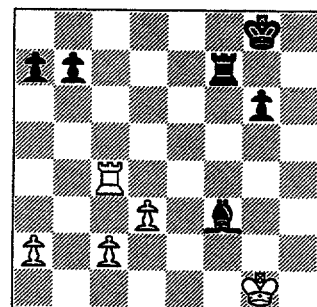


37...Qg4

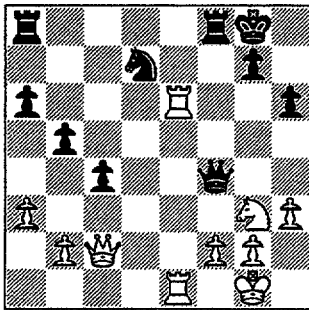
This forces the trade of Q's, leaving Black with an uncomplicated winning ending. Interesting is 37...Qd4+ 38.Kh2 Qd6+ and 39...Qxe7 winning a R, except that the Q's would still be on the board.

**38.Qxg4 Bxg4 39.Rxc7 Rf7
40.Rc4 Bf3 1-0**

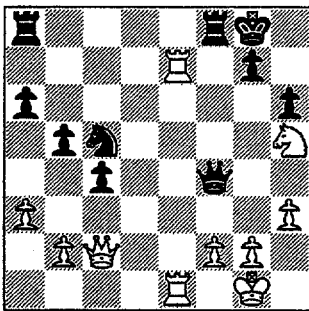
Final Position Sims game



Vern Stamm (1609D) of Lucent Chargers has this dazzling finish vs. a 1493 Centurion. Let's take a look after **25.dxc4 dxc4** (diagram below - Stamm has White)



26.Re7 Nc5 27.Nh5!

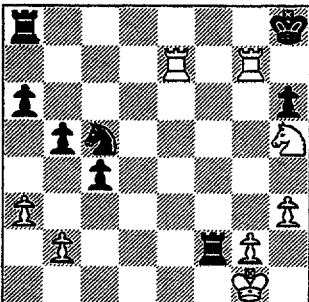


27...Qxf2+

Desperation.

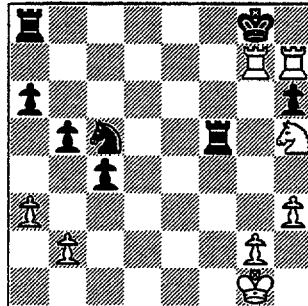
Realizing that parrying the threat of mate in two (28.Rxg7+ Kh8 29.Qh7++) could lead to the loss of Q+P for R+N (such as 27... Qg5 29.Rxg7+ Qxg7 30.Nxg7 Kxg7), Black decides to give up a R for P instead.

28.Qxf2 Rxf2 29.Rxg7+ Kh8 30.Ree7!



Nice. White goes for the King and ignores the Rook completely.

30...Rf5 31.Rh7+ Kg8 32. Reg7+ 1-0
Final Position Stamm game

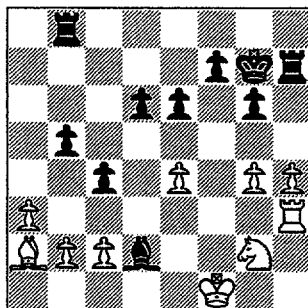


It's mate next move: 32...Kf8 33.Rh8++.

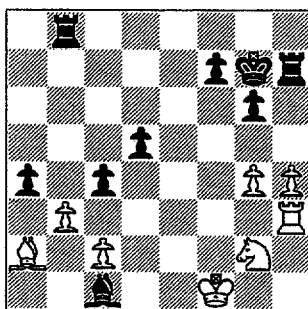
Jerry Thomas (1503C) of the Lucent Tech Chargers gives us this fine ending vs. a 1453 centurion on board 4.

Let's drop in after **32...c4**

33. Kf1 (diagram below - Thomas has Black)



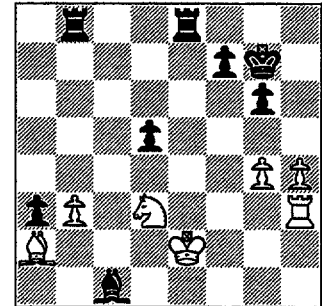
33...Bc1 34.b3 d5 35.exd5 exd5 36.a4 bxa4



37.Ke2

White can't do anything with the b-pawn. For example, 37.bxa4 or 37.bxc4 is met by 37...Rb2 and White loses the B.

37...cxb3 38.cxb3 a3 39.Ne1 Rhh8 40.Nd3 Rhe8+



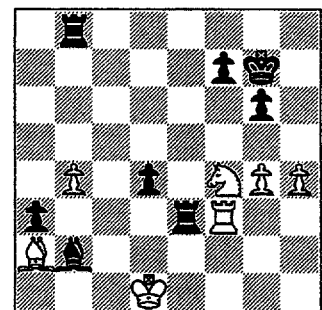
41.Kd1 Bb2 42.b4

So that after 42...Rxb4 43.Bxd5, the B would be free at last.

42...d4

Now Black's got 2 passed pawns (a and d pawns) for White to worry about.

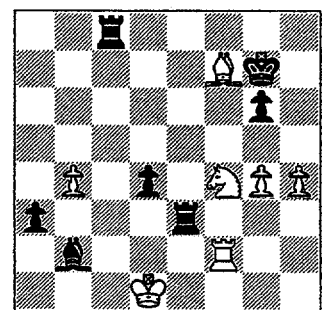
43.Rf3 Re7 44.Nf4 Re3



45.Rf2

Trading R's wouldn't help White's cause.

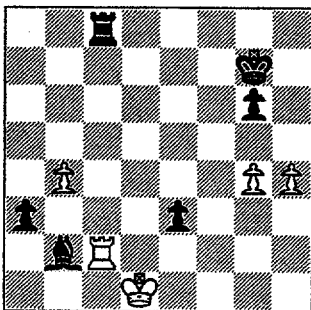
45...Rc8 46.Bxf7



Hastens the end for White as the R can't stop the advance of Black's h-pawn from the side (rank).

46...Kxf7 47.Nd5+ Kg7

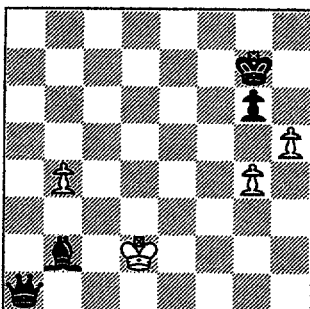
48.Nxe3 dxe3 49.Rc2



49...Rd8+

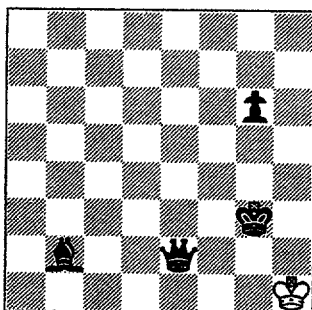
49...Rxc2 50.Kxc2 e2 51.Kd2 a2 and it's all over but the shouting.

**50.Ke2 Rd2+ 51.Rxd2 exd2
52.Kxd2 a2 53.h5 a1Q**

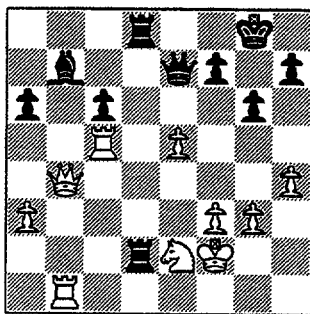


White continued to play on from the above position and resigned without waiting for Black's reply after **60.Kh1 Kg3** (see diagram below).

Final Position Thomas game



Northrop's new top gun, **Serge Minin**, defeats a 2220 in the following superb finish. Let's come in after **28. a3 Qe7** (see diagram next column - Minin has White)



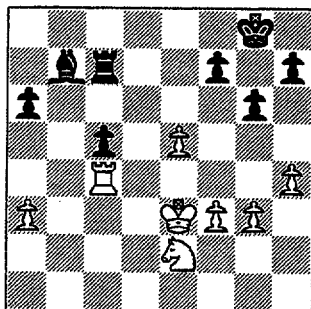
29.Rd5!

Forces a Queen and Rook trade and transposes into an ending where White has the advantage of a good N vs. a bad B.

**29...Qxb4 30.Rxd8+ Rxd8
31.Rxb4 Rd7 32.Ke3 c5**

Frees the B but leaves the c-pawn vulnerable.

33.Rc4 Rc7



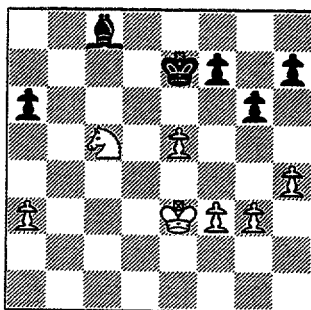
34.Nc3

White wastes no time in going after Black's vulnerable c-pawn.

34...Kf8

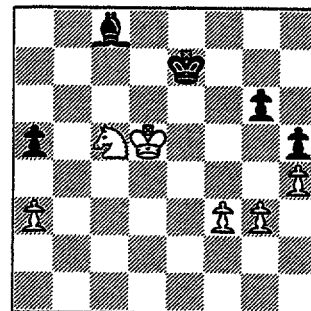
Black can't do anything to prevent the loss of the c-pawn.

**35.Na4 Ke7 36.Rxc5 Rxc5
37.Nxc5 Bc8**



**38. Kf4 h6 39.Ke4 f6 40.Kd5
fxe5 41.Kxe5 h5 42.Kd5 a5**

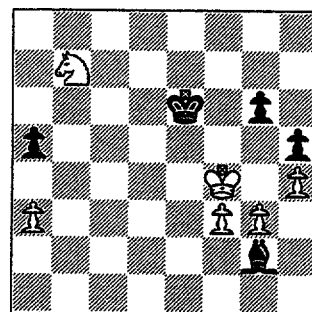
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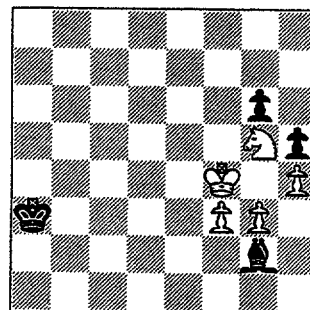
43.Ke5

43.Nb3? loses to 43...Be6+ and 44...Bxb3.

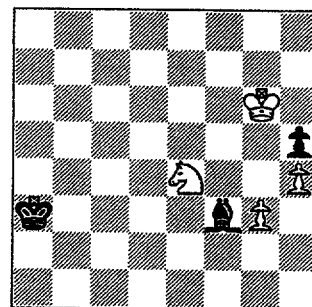
**43...Bh3 44.Nb7Bg2 45. Kf4
Ke6**



**46.Nxa5 Kd5 47.Nb3 Kc4
48.Nd2+ Kc3 49.Ne4+ Kb3
50.Ng5 Kxa3**

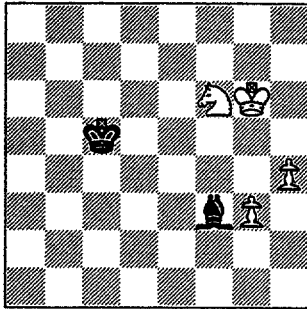


**51.Ke5 Bf1 52.Kf6 Bd3
53.Ne4 Be2 54.Kxg6 Bxf3**

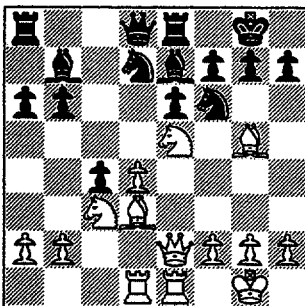


**55.Nf6 Kb4 56.Nxh5 Kc5
57.Nf6 1-0**

Final position Minin game

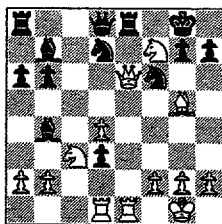


One of the nicest finish I've ever seen is this one by **Jason Smith** (1716) of Motorola against an unrated on board 4. Let's go in after **13.Ne5 dxc4** (see diagram below - Smith has White)



14.Nxf7!

The point of this N sac is that after **14... cxd3 15. Qxe6 Bb4** (see diagram right), White mates in 3: **16.Nh6+ Kh8 17.Qg8+ N (or R) xg8 18.Nf7++** is mate.



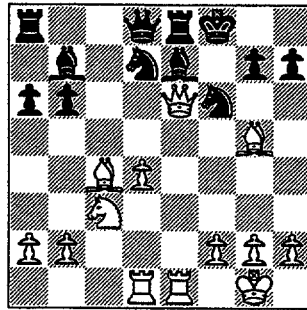
14...Kxf7

Either this or allow (after say **14...Qc7**) White to proceed with the mating attack beginning with **15.Qxe6**

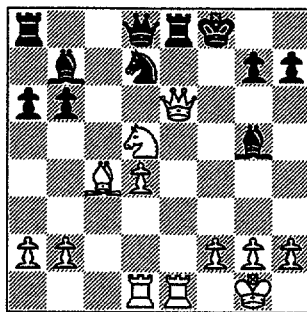
15.Qxe6+ Kf8 16.Bxc4

Black's in trouble. **17.Qf7++** is threatened.

(See diagram top of next column)



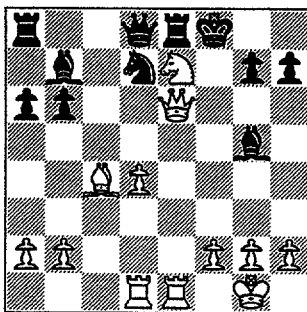
16...Nd5 17.Nxd5 Bxg5



18.Ne7!! 1-0

What a beautiful shot! Mate with **Qg8++** or **Qf7++** can't be stopped.

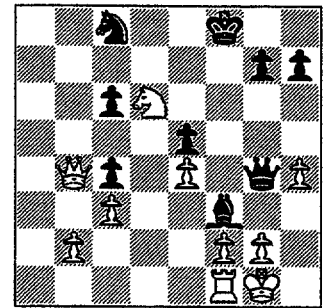
Final position Smith game



An interesting finale's this one on board 6 between **Jim Thomson** (1471) of Motorola and **John Patrick** (Unrated) of Northrop.

Thomson has White and Patrick has Black.

Let's view the game after **26.Nxd6 Qg4** (see diagram top of next column)



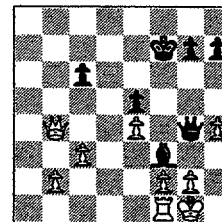
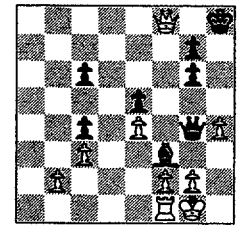
An interesting situation. Black threatens mate next move (**27...Qxg2++**) or in 2 (**27.g3 Qh3** and **28...Qg7++** or **28...Qh8++**). White must stop the mate or draw by perpetual check or mate Black himself.

27.Nxc8+

27.Nxc4+ and **28. Ne3** stops a mate on g2.

27...Kf7

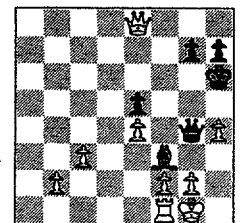
In order to escape from Queen checks, correct is **27... Kg8**. For example: **28. Ne7+ Kf7** (not **28...Kh8** because of **29. Ng6+ hxg6 30. Qf8+** - diagram right - and **31.Qxf3**



wins for White)
29.Qxc4+ Kxe7 30.Qb4+ Kf7 (see diagram left)

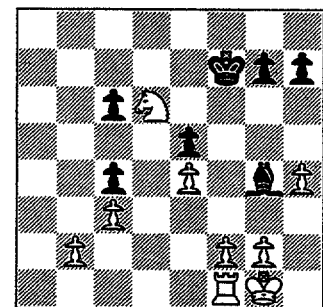
31. Qb7+ Kg6 32. Qxc6+ Kh5 33. Qe8+ Kh6 (see diagram below)
34. Qe6+ Qxe6

35.gxf3 Qb3 with advantage for Black.



If **34. Qc6+** then **34...g6** wins as **35. g3 Qh3** and **36... Qg7++** is mate.

28.Qe7+ Kg6 29.Qg5+ Kf7 30.Qxg4 Bxg4 31.Nd6+

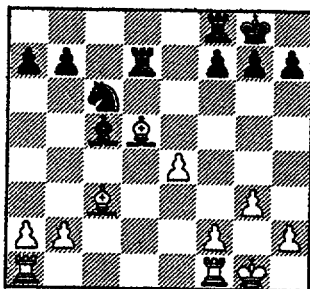


1-0 (Black resigned on move 41)

LOOSE SQUARES = LOOSE PIECES A Study by Tom Friske Page 1

It has been surprising to note how many games are won by exploiting an unprotected piece! This theme happens more than we may realize and by stronger players than one would expect!

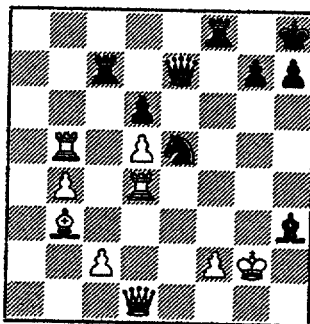
The first example noticed came from my own First Round game.



Friske-Cummuta
after 18 - Rd7

Black would like to kick the strong Bishop at d5 with Ne7, but doing so would hang the b-pawn. His move covers this threat, but also puts it to an unprotected square. Play continued: 19. Rfd1 looking towards the loose piece. Black immediately blundered with 19. - Ne7 allowing 20. Bf7+ Rf7 21. Rd7, winning an exchange and pawn.

Oddly enough, at about the same time my teammate on Board 3 was also winning an exchange!



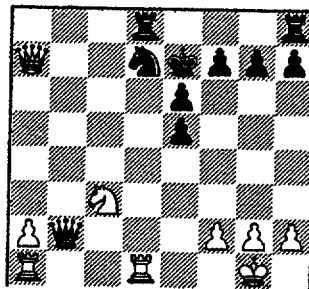
Nallataambi-Sollano

after 37. - Bh3+

White has captured a pawn at b5, but in so doing has left his Rook hanging. Black sacrificed 37. - Bh3+ so that 38. Kh3 Qd7+ wins the Rook.

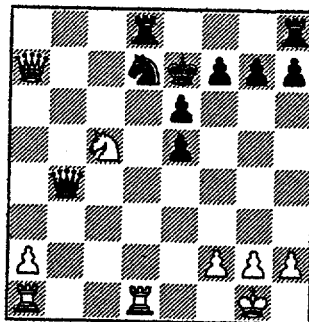
At this point you may complain that I am just reviewing simple tactics. The point here is to show how a loose piece can be the birth of a winning tactic.

Next is a fragment from the final round of last season's playoff between a 2197 and 2207 player:



Hasan-Tamez
after 21. - Qxb2

Black has snarfed a pawn on b2 allowing White a tempo to bring his Knight into the attack: 28. Ne4 Qb4 29. Nc5! adding another unit onto the pin at d7.

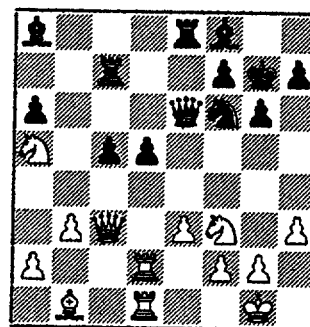


after 29. Nc5!

Black played 29. - Qxc5?? possibly only considering

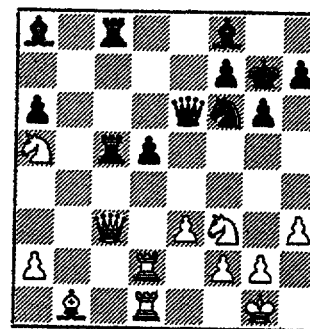
30. Qc5 Nc5, winning a piece. Instead, White forces the Black queen to be unprotected with 30. Rd7+! Rd7 31. Qxc5+. This is more often named "undermining."

The loose-piece theme is not an end in itself. Following is a move series where both players apply the tactic within a few moves!



Sollano-Pehas
after 47. - Ba8

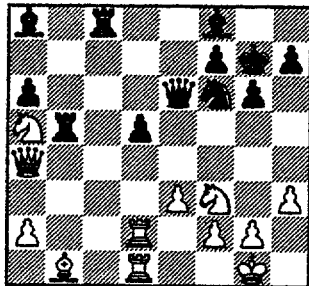
White notices the hanging Rc7 and attempts to exploit it with 48. b4. Unfortunately, the Queen is on the same file so problems begin with 48. - Rec8 49. bc Rc5



after 49. - Rxc5

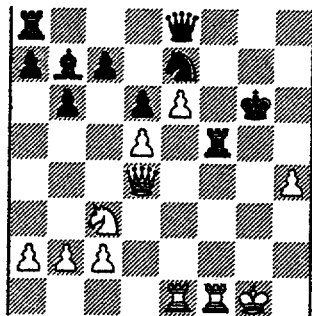
Now White is in a fork and simply abandons the Knight with 50. Qb3 instead of getting in more trouble after something like 50. Qa3 Rb5 51. Qa4 (see diagram next page)

LOOSE SQUARES = LOOSE PIECES A Study by Tom Friske Page 2



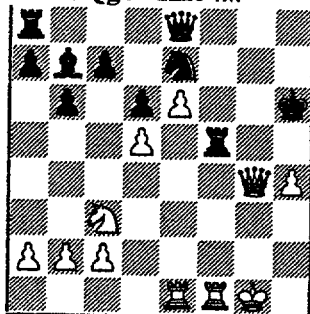
when Black causes misery by 51. - Rb4 52. Qa3 Rxb1 which discovers an attack from Bf8.

In our next adventure, we look at a position where a square is forced to become *under-protected*; i.e. White forces away a defender (the King) to win the piece.



Eustace-Para after 26. - Rxf5

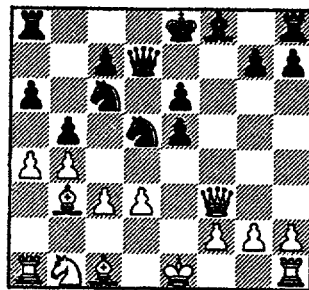
White forced the King away with 27. Qg4+ Kh6



(Kf6 allows Ne4+ and the reader can figure out if Black survives)

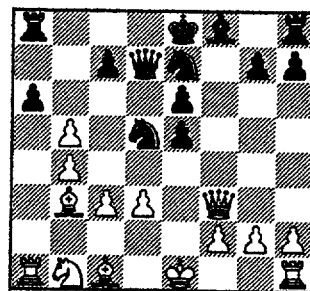
where now 28. Rf5 Nf5 29. Qf5 won a piece.

Here's an amusing piece where Black has begun opening the long diagonal against his own loose a8-Rook:



after 12. a4

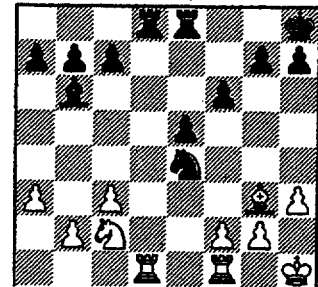
For his last two moves, Black has played b5 and Qd7 unaware of the attack down the a-file or from the Qf3. In Black's defense, the game so far has concentrated on attacking f7, so this also points out the need to be aware of all squares the pieces attack! Play continued : 12. - Nce7 13. ab



Black can't recapture Qxb5 due to c4 forking Queen and Knight, so he moved the Knight away from attack with 13. - Nf6 ?? ; White was aware of 14. Qa8+.

The final two examples are pure chess poetry. I'll give no hints so that you can re-create the moves!

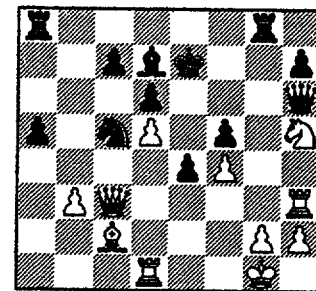
~~where now 28. Rf5 Nf5 29. Qf5 won a piece.~~



Radavicius-Morris after 25. Rad1

FIND THE MOVE!

I probably would have quickly played 25. - Rd1 26 Rd1 Nf2+ happy with an easy ending after 27. Bf2 Bf2. Rob shows why he's a tough opponent by cleaning house with 25. - Bf2! White loses the exchange to 26. Bf2 Nf2+ forking If 27. Rf2 then 27. - Rxd1+. In the meantime Bg3 hangs!! So the game ended (from diagram) 25. - Bf2! 26. Rd8 Ng3+ 27. Kh2 Nf1+

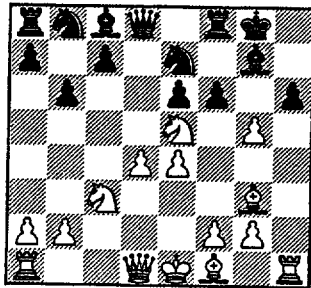


after 28. - Ke7 **FIND THE MOVE!**

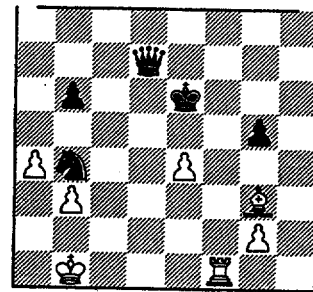
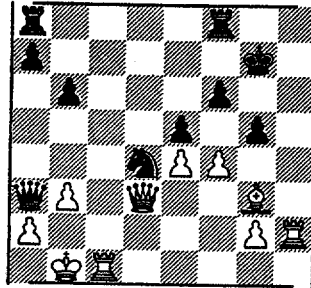
29. Nf6! Qf6 30. Rh7+ forces the protection of the Queen away. 30. -Ke8 31. Qxf6. Black held on to draw, however!

THE MORAL OF THE STORY: Watch those loose pieces! GMs will prepare squares so the desired move is to a protected one! Having trouble finding a plan? Look for your opponent's weak pieces, undermine their support, and win them! Happy Hunting!

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Lannoye, Dave (1750) [D50]
Kemper-Exemplars ,
10.08.1998
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6
4.Bg5 h6 5.Bh4 b6 6.cxd5
g5 7.Bg3 Nxd5 8.e4 Ne7
9.Nf3 Bg7 10.Ne5 0-0 11.h4
f6 12.hxg5

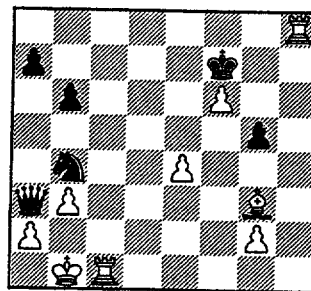


24...Qd6 25.Kb1 c6 26.dxc6
Qxc6 27.Rc1 Qa4 28.b3 Qa3
29.f4



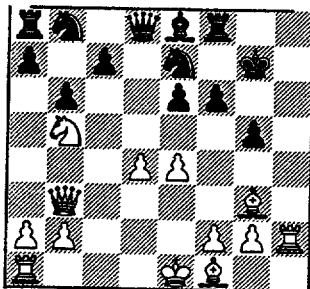
after making this move, Black
forgot to punch clock! After
four minutes...Black Flagged
1-0

29...Rac8 30.Rhh1 Rh8
31.fxe5 Rc2 32.exf6+ Kf7
33.Qxc2 Nxc2 34.Rxh8 Nb4



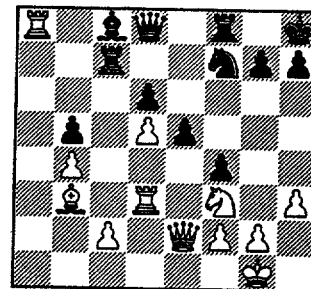
Nallataambi, Rajan (1468) -
Sollano, Ely (1916) [B90]
Kemper-Exemplars ,
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12...hxg5 [12...fxe5?!13.gxh6
Bh8 (13...Bf6 14.Qg4+ Kf7
15.dxe5 Bh8) 14.Qg4+ Kh7±]
13.Ng4 Bd7 14.Nh6+ Bxh6
15.Rxh6 Be8 16.Nb5 Na6
17.Qa4 Nb8 18.Qb3 Kg7
19.Rh2

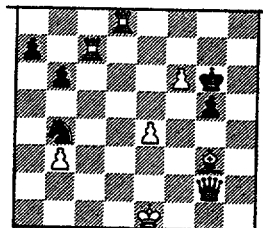
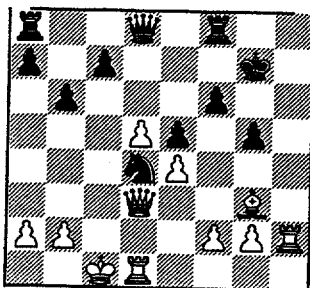


1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a4 e5
7.Nf3 Be7 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0
Nc6 10.h3 b6 11.Be3 Qc7
12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nd8
14.Ra3 Rb8 15.Qd2 f5
16.Bg5 Nf7 17.Rc3 Qd8
18.Bxe7 Qxe7 19.Re1 Qd8
20.Bc4 Kh8 21.Qe2 Ra8
22.b4 Bb7 23.Nd2 Rc8
24.Rf3 Ng5 25.Rg3 b5
26.axb5 axb5 27.Bb3 f4
28.Rd3 Rc7 29.Nf3 Nf7
30.Ra1 Bc8 31.Ra8

35.Rh7+⊕ [35.Rc7+ Kg6
(35...Kxf6?? 36.Rh6#) 36.Rd8
(36.f7? Qxa2+ 37.Kc1 Qa1+
38.Kd2 Qxh8) 36...Qxa2+
37.Kc1 Qa1+ 38.Kd2 Qb2+
39.Ke1 Qxg2

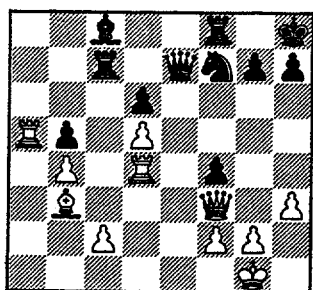


19...Bxb5 20.Bxb5 Nbc6
21.Bxc6 Nxc6 22.d5 Nd4
23.Qd3 e5 24.0-0-0

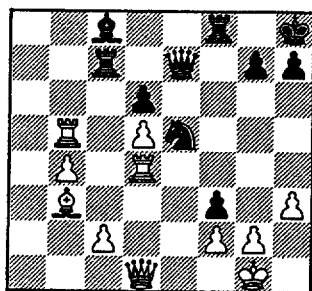


40.f7 Qxg3+ Fritz5 rates this
a draw]
35...Kxf6 36.Rxa7 Qxa7
37.Rf1+ Ke6 38.a4 Qd7

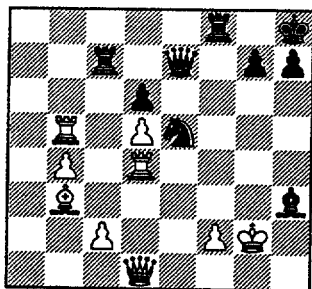
31...Qe7 Cleverly breaking
pin along backrank while
threatening ...e4 32.Ra5? e4
33.Rd4 exf3 34.Qxf3



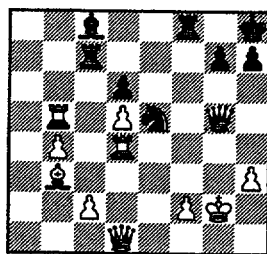
seems to win a second pawn for the piece, but Black conjures an attack using the advanced f-pawn. 34...Ne5 35.Qd1 f3 36.Rxb5



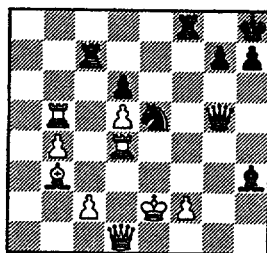
taking a pawn, but the Rook now hangs on an undefended square. Watch how Black combines his possibilities against the opposing King while keeping an eye on the loose Rook. 36...fxg2 37.Kxg2 Bxh3+



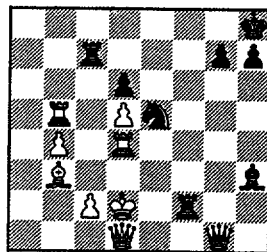
[Ely's move sets up ♔d7, winning ♜b5. With every piece in range of the White ♔, let's see if Black has more.... 37...Qg5+



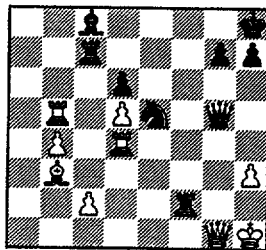
A) 38.Kf1 Bxh3+ 39.Ke1 (39.Ke2



39...Rxf2+!! 40.Kxf2 Rf7+ and Black forces mate.) 39...Qg1+ 40.Kd2 Rxf2+

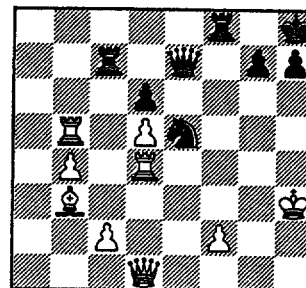


Black mates or wins ♔ 41.Kc1 Rf1 wins the Queen 42.Rb8+ Rc8; B) 38.Kh2 Rxf2+ and mates with ♔g2; C) 38.Kh1 38...Rxf2 39.Qg1



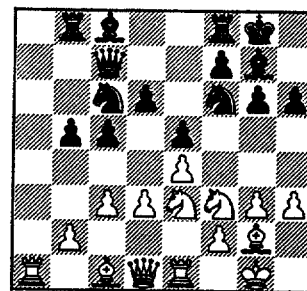
39...Qf5!! Fritz5 showed me this one! Black threatens: ♜f1 winning ♔, as well as two mating combos of ♔h3+ and ♔f3+!

38.Kxh3

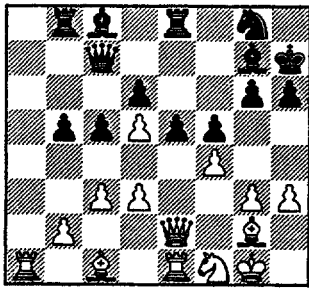


38...Qd7+ 39.Kg3 Qxb5 40.f4 Rc3+ 41.Kh4 Ng6+ 42.Kg4 Qd7+ 0-1

Czerniecki, K (2036) - Gates, Elise (1830) [A04] Alumni-Lburn, 13.10.1998 1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.d3 c5 5.0-0 0-0 6.e4 Nc6 7.c3 d6 8.Nbd2 Qc7 9.a4 a6 10.h3 Rb8 11.Re1 b5 12.axb5 axb5 13.Nf1 h6 14.Ne3 e5

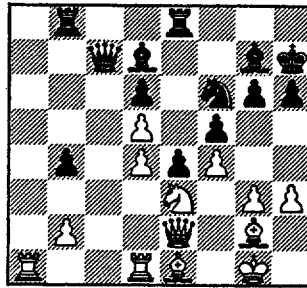


15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Is the d5 pawn an asset or a liability? 16...Ne7 17.Nd2 f5 18.Nf1 Kh7 19.Qe2 Ng8 20.f4 Re8



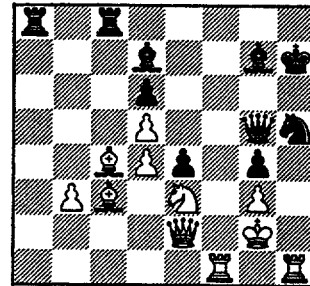
21.d4 cxd4 22.cxd4 No more captures because of hanging Re8! but how about... 22...e4 23.Rd1 Nf6 24.Ne3

Bishop, but Black is tied to defend it with major pieces. At b5, it is easier to defend.

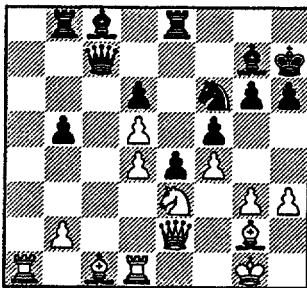


26...Qb6 27.Bf1 Bf8 28.b3 Rec8 29.Qb2 Ra8 30.Bc4 If Black's pawn had remained on b5, this strong move wouldn't be possible. 30...Bg7 31.Kg2 Nh5 32.Nc2 g5 33.fxg5 hxg5 34.Bxb4 White is taking over...

Now the open lines favor White 36...Be8 37.Bc3 Qd8 38.Ne3 Qf6 39.Raf1 Qg5 40.Qe2 Bd7

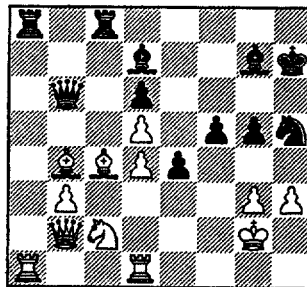


41.Rxh5+! Qxh5 42.Rh1 Qxh1+ 43.Kxh1 Rf8 44.Nxg4 Bxg4 45.Qxg4 1-0



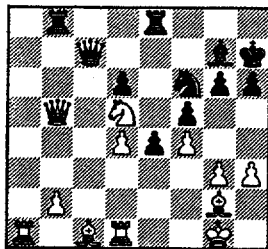
White's d pawns cover most center squares, but can they be won? 24...Bd7

[24...Bb7? 25.Qxb5 Bxd5 26.Nxd5!!



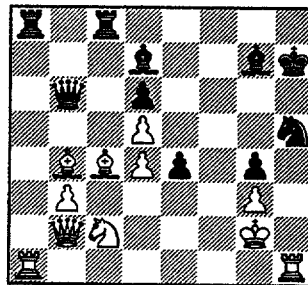
34...g4? [Black can get two passers with... 34...f4 35.g4 (35.gxf4 gxf4 and Black may have some Kside pressure) 35...Nf6 (35...Ng3? 36.Be1)] 35.hxg4 fxg4 36.Rh1

Eaman, Rob (1626) – Golla, Roman (1955) [B06] Lburn-Alumni, 13.10.1998 1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Be2 Nf6 5.e5 dxe5 6.Nxe5 0-0 7.0-0 c5 8.dxc5 Qc7 9.Nf3 Rd8 10.Qe1 Qxc5 11.Nc3 Nc6 12.Be3 Qa5 13.a3 e5 14.b4

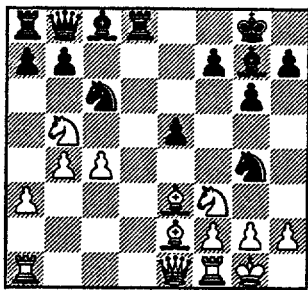


26...Qxc1 (26...Qf7?? or other moves beside Qxc1... 27.Nxf6+ Bxf6 28.Qe2+-) 27.Nxf6+ Bxf6 28.Qd7+--]

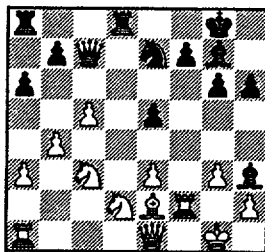
25.Bd2 b4 [25...Qb7 26.Bb4 Bf8 nabs the d-pawn, greedy me...] 26.Be1 Yes, the b-pawn is restricting this



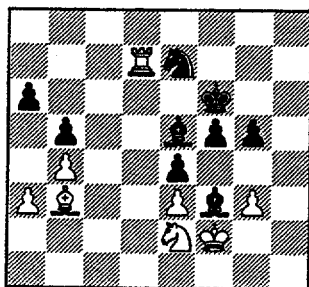
This opens the long diagonal to Black's advantage. -e4 is in the air. 14...Qc7 15.Nb5 Qb8 16.c4 Ng4



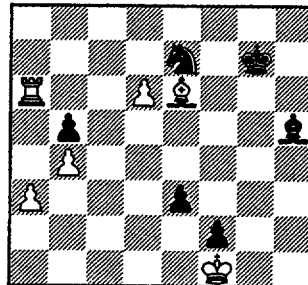
17. Bg5 saves B and maintains Kside pawn structure. 17.g3 Nxe3 18.fxe3 a6 19.Nc3 Bh3 20.Rf2 h6 21.Nd2 Ne7 22.c5 b5



[White threatens Ne4-d6 22...Qc7 23.Nde4 Nf5] 23.Bf3 Ra7 24.Nde4 f5 25.Nd6 e4 26.Bd1 White's minor pieces are too strong, so... 26...Rxd6 27.cxd6 Qxd6 28.Bb3+ Kh7 29.Rc2 Qe5 29 -Bg4 would secure d-file 30.Rd1 Bg4 31.Ne2 Bf3 32.Qd2 h5 33.Qd6 h4 34.Qxe5 Bxe5 35.Kf2 g5 36.Rcd2 hxg3+ 37.hxg3 Kg7 38.Rd7 Rxd7 39.Rxd7 Kf6

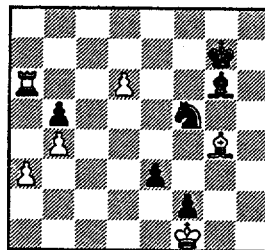


40.Nd4 Bg4 41.Ra7 Bxd4 42.exd4 f4 43.Rxa6+ Kg7 44.gxf4 gxf4 45.Be6 e3+ 46.Ke1 Bh5 47.d5 f3 48.d6 f2+ 49.Kf1



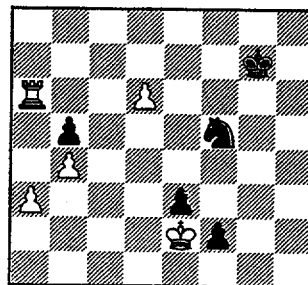
[Black has a clear win if he can force White King away from e2 and f1. 49...Bg6 with idea of Bd3+ 50.Bg4 Bd3+?

[50...Nf5!



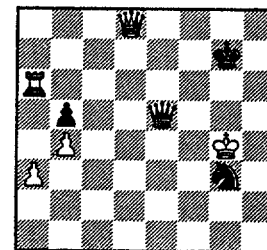
threatens Ng3+ followed by queening f-pawn WITH CHECK. A) 51.Bxf5 Bxf5 52.Ra7+ (52.Ke2 Bd3+) 52...Kf6; B) 51.Ra7+ 51...Kf6 52.d7 Ng3+ 53.Kg2 f1Q+ 54.Kxg3 Qf2+ 55.Kh3 Ke7-+]

51.Be2 Bxe2+ 52.Kxe2 Nf5

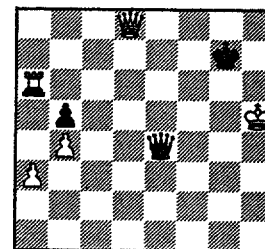


Comparing this with the 50-Nf5 note, you notice that here Black queens, WITHOUT checking, allowing White the tempo to also queen. 53.d7 Ng3+ 54.Kxe3 f1Q 55.d8Q Qe2+ If White can force Black to not check, he wins with Qc7+ followed by Ra8 mate. 56.Kf4 Nh5+ 57.Kf5 Ng3+ 58.Kf4 Nh5+ 59.Kf5 Ng3+ 60.Kf4 Last chance to try Kg5. The configuration to stop checks would be to get the King next to the Knight on a square the Knight can't move and check, forcing Queen to protect. But can Black lose Knight and perpetually check? Let's see...

[Like this... 60.Kg5 Qe5+ 61.Kg4

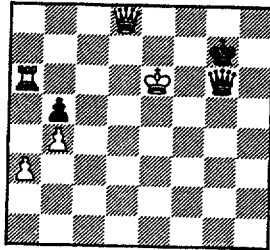


61...Qe4+ A) 62.Kxg3 Qe3+ 63.Kg4 A1) 63...Qe2+ 64.Kf4 Qc4+ 65.Ke5 Qe2+ (65...Qc3+ 66.Qd4 Qc7+ 67.Kf5+) 66.Kd6 Qh2+ 67.Kc5 Qe5+ 68.Kb6 Qe6+ 69.Ka5; A2) 63...Qe4+ 64.Kh5



64...Qf3+ (64...Qf5+
65.Qg5+-) 65.Kg5 Qg2+
66.Kf5 Qf3+ 67.Ke6 Qe4+
68.Kd6 Qg6+ see next
diagram (B line).. reached
same position from different
moves. 69.Ke5;

B) 62.Kh3 62...Qh1+
63.Kxg3 Qg1+ 64.Kf4 Qf2+
65.Ke5 Qg3+ 66.Ke6 Qg6+



67.Ke5
B1) 67...Qh5+ 68.Kf4 the
idea is to not allow checks
from first rank, so White King
can cross to safety on
Queenside... 68...Qh2+
69.Ke3 Qg3+ (69...Qg1+
70.Kd2) 70.Kd2 Qf2+ 71.Kc3
Qe3+ 72.Qd3 Qe1+ 73.Kb2
Qf2+ 74.Qc2 Qd4+ 75.Qc3+-
B2) 67...Qxa6 68.Qe7+-
and all King moves allow
Qe6+ or Qf6+ forcing won
Pawn ending...]

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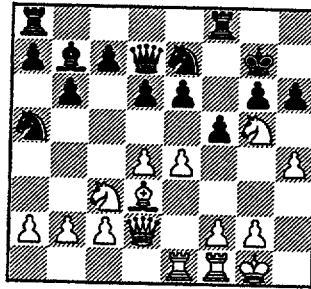
60...Nh5+ 1/2-1/2

My analysis is not complete,
but I've highlighted White's
two plans that win. It's nice to
sit at home, not worrying
about the clock!

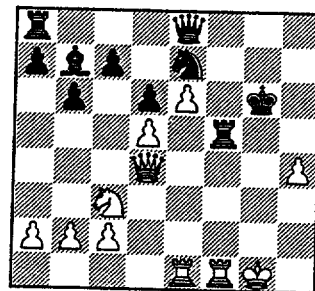
Eustace, D (1636) -
Para, A (1563) [B06]
Dragons-Fermi, 13.10.1998

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6
4.Bc4 e6 5.Nc3 Ne7 6.0-0 0-0
7.Be3 Nbc6 8.Qd2 Na5
9.Bd3 b6 10.Bh6 Bb7
11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.h4 f5

13.Ng5 Qd7 14.Rae1 h6

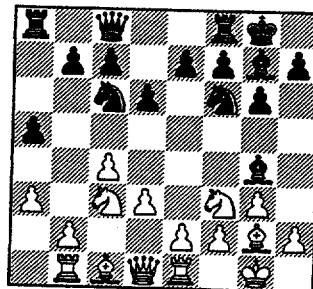


15.exf5 hxg5 16.fxe6 Qe8
17.Qxg5 Rh8 18.f4 Rh5
19.Qg4 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Rxf5
21.Qd1 Nc6 22.g4 Rf6 23.f5
Ne7 24.d5 gxf5 25.Qd4 Kg6
26.gxf5+ Rxf5

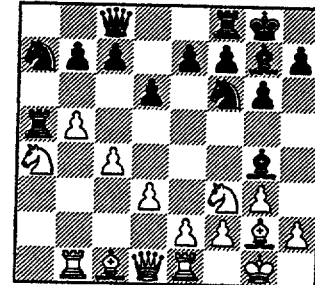


27.Qg4+ Kh6 28.Rxf5 Nxf5
29.Qg5+ Kh7 30.Qxf5+
Qg6+ 31.Qxg6+ Kxg6 32.Rf1
Kh5 33.Rf7 1-0

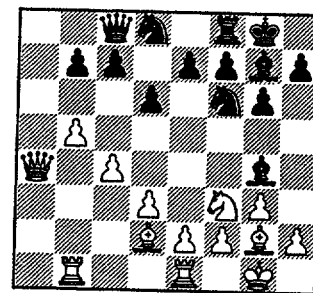
(Staples, Carl (1267) -
Piao, T [A16]
Fermi-Dragons, 13.10.1998
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7
4.Bg2 0-0 5.0-0 Nc6 6.Nc3
d6 7.d3 Bg4 8.Rb1 Qc8
9.Re1 a5 10.a3



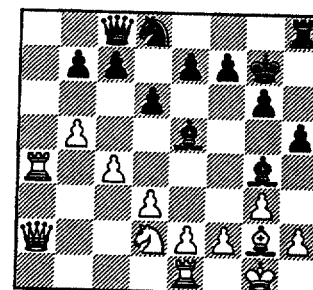
10...Ra6 11.b4 axb4 12.axb4
Na7 13.b5 Ra5 14.Na4



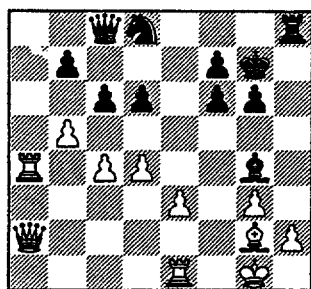
14...Nc6 15.Bd2 Rxa4
16.Qxa4 Nd8



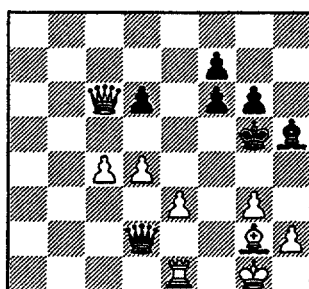
17.Bg5 h6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6
19.Nd2 Bc3 20.Qc2 Be5
21.Rb4 h5 22.Ra4 Kg7
23.Qa2 Rh8



24.e3 h4 25.d4 Bf6 26.Ne4
hxg3 27.fxg3 c6 28.Nxf6
exf6

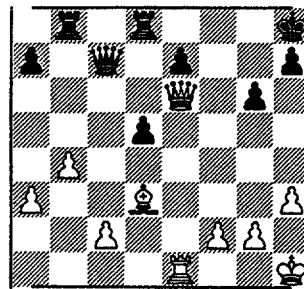


29.Ra8 Qd7 30.bxc6 bxc6
31.Qa4 Qf5 32.Qa5

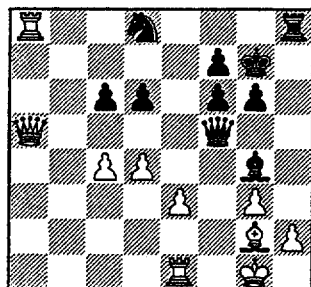


Gomez, Gerasio (1556) –
Altshuller, Dimitri (1785)
[B70]

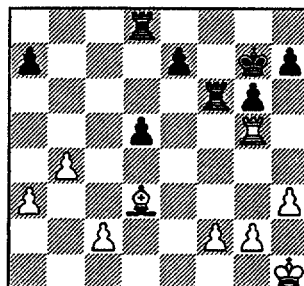
Fermi-Dragons, 13.10.1998
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Bd3
Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 Nc6
9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Bd2 Qc7
11.Re1 Be6 12.Qc1 Rab8
13.Rb1 Rfd8 14.a3



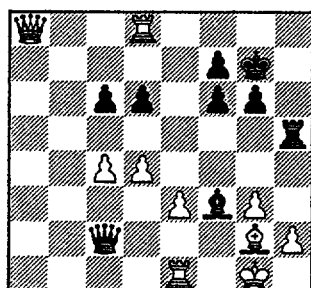
24...Rd7 25.Re5 Rb6 26.Qf7
Rf6 27.Qe8+ Kg7 28.Rg5
Qd8 29.Qxd8 Rxd8



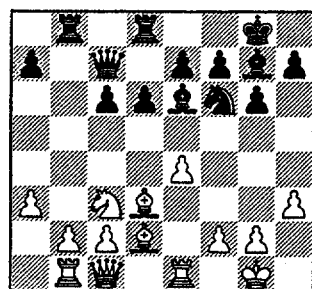
32...Qc2 33.Rxd8 Rh5
34.Qa8 Bf3



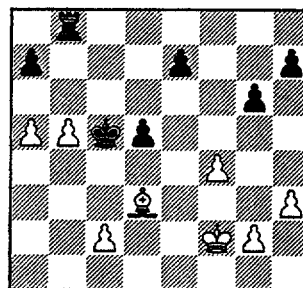
30.Re5 Kf7 31.Kg1 Re6
32.Rxe6 Kxe6 33.f4 Rc8
34.a4 Rb8 35.b5 Kd6 36.Kf2
Kc5 37.a5



35.Rg8+ Kh6 37.Rxh5+
Bxh5 38.Qxc6 Qd2 39.Kf1
Qd3+ 40.Kg1 Qd2



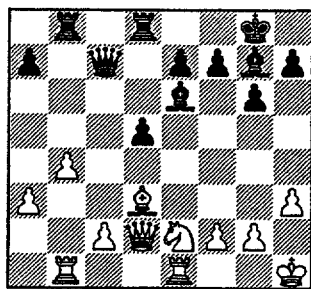
14...Nd7 15.b4 Nb6 16.Kh1
Nc4 17.Ne2 Nxd2 18.Qxd2
d5 19.exd5 cxd5



37...Rxb5!! A superb move
that forces a clearly won
ending!

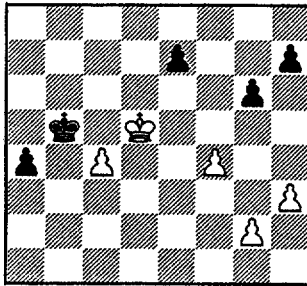
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41. Qb5+ f5 42. Qb1 1-0



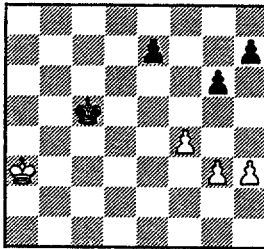
20.Nf4 Bc3 21.Nxe6 fxe6
22.Qe3 Bxe1 23.Qxe6+ Kh8
24.Rxe1

38.Bxb5 Kxb5 39.a6 Kxa6
40.Ke3 Kb5 41.Kd4 a5
42.Kxd5 a4 43.c4+



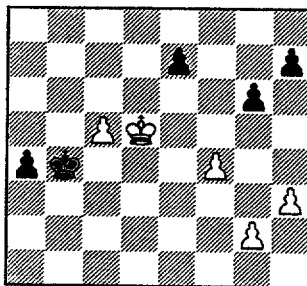
43...Kb4? Black should use outside passer (a-pawn) to divert White King. Black will win Kside pawn(s) and game easily.

[43...Kb6 assures he can stop White's passer 44.c5+ Kc7 45.Kc4 any other move allows a-pawn to queen 45...Kc6 46.g3 a3 47.Kb3 Kxc5 48.Kxa3

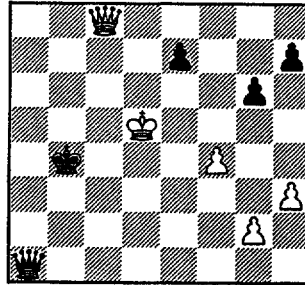


48...Kd4 49.Kb4 Ke3 50.Kc4 Kf3 51.Kd4 Kxg3 52.Ke4 Kxh3 53.Kf3 (53.f5 g5+ 53...h6 54.Kf2 Kg4 55.Ke3 h5-+]

44.c5



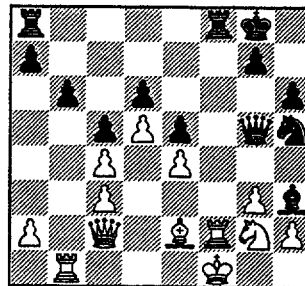
44...a3?? Black can still win with Kb5! 45.c6 a2 46.c7 a1Q 47.c8Q



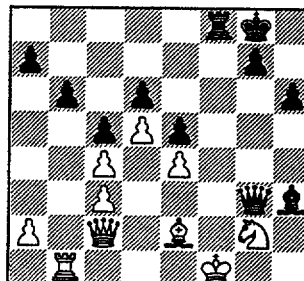
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Alexander (1768) – Warren, Jim (2120) [E30] CCDOC-Chargers, 15.10.1998

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bg5 h6 5.Bxf6 Qxf6 6.Nf3 c5 7.e3 Nc6 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 Bxc3 10.bxc3 d6 11.Qc2 e5 12.d5 Ne7 13.e4 Ng6 14.Ne1 Qg5 15.f3 f5 16.Rf2 Nf4 17.Kf1 Nh5 18.Rb1 b6 19.g3 fxe4 20.fxe4 Bh3+ 21.Ng2



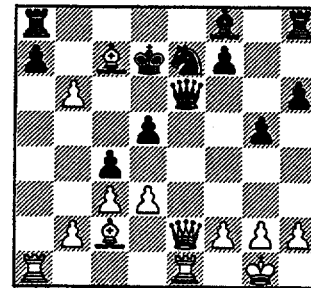
21...Nxg3+ 22.hxg3 Qxg3 23.Rxf8+ Rxf8+



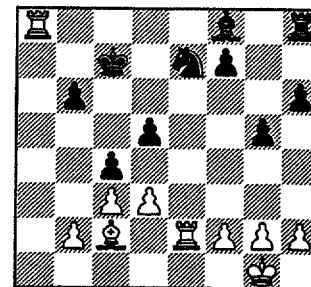
24.Bf3 Rxf3+ 25.Kg1 Rxc3 0-1

Marcowka, R (2007) – Seaton, Ed (1732) [B00] Chargers-CCDOC, 15.10.1998

1.e4 b6 2.Bc4 e6 3.Bb3 Bb7 4.d3 Nc6 5.c3 d5 6.exd5 exd5 7.Qe2+ Nce7 8.Nf3 h6 9.0-0 Nf6 10.Re1 Qd6 11.Ne5 Qe6 12.Nd2 Nd7 13.Ba4 c6 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.Nf3 b5 16.Bb3 c5 17.a4 c4 18.Bc2 Bc6 19.Ne5 Qe6 20.Nxc6 Qxc6 21.axb5 Qe6 22.Bf4 g5 23.Bc7 Kd7 24.b6



Ra8 is loose 24...axb6 25.Rxa8 Qxe2 26.Rxe2 Kxc7



27.Rxe7+ Bxe7 28.Rxh8 Bc5 29.d4 Bd6 30.Ba4 g4 31.g3 f5 32.Rxh6 f4 33. Rxd6 Kxd6 34. f3 fxg3 35. hxg3 1-0